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CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.

The following appointments for the Danville District were made this week, by the Conference of the M. E. Church, held at Carlisle.

Danville District—Ezra H. Yocum, Sunbury, Presiding Elder. Ashland, Oliver S. Metzler; Audenreid, William W. Hartman; Beaver Meadow, Isaac Codman; Beach Haven, Henry B. Fortner; Benton, Oliver H. Albertson; Berwick, A. R. Miller; Bloomingdale, T. H. Tubbs; Bloomsburg Benjamin C. Conner; Buckhorn, William H. Hartman; Catawissa, George M. Klepfer; Catawissa circuit, George S. Womer; Centralia, Charles M. Barnitz; Conyngham, E S Baker; Danville—St. Paul's, Geo. D. Penepacker; Trinity, Orlando G. Heck; Elysburg, Josiah C. Mumper; Espy and Lime Ridge, Theodore M. Haven; Freedland, Reuben E. Wilson; Gordon, Alfred L. Miller; Harveyville, John Vrooman; Hazleton—Diamond, N. E. C. Cleaver; St. Paul's, I. N. Moorehead; Irish Valley, Frank E. Hartman; Jeansville, J. P. Benford; Jerseytown, D. T. Brouse; Jonestown, F. C. Beyers; Mifflinville, J. H. Diebel; Milnesville, Lattimer and Jeddo, John C. Bickel; Mount Carmel, W. A. Houck; Nescopeck, Wilson E. Vandermark; Northumberland, J. A. DeMoyer; Orangeville and Light Street, Nathan B. Smith; Park Place and Delano, J. G. Grimes; Riverside, Freeman S. Vought; Rohrsburg, S. A. Creveling; Selinsgrove, E. M. Chilcoat; Shamokin—First church, Thomas S. Wilcox; Second church, Joseph D. W. Deavor; Shickshinny, P. P. Strawwinski; Silver Brook, W. S. Hamlin; Snydertown, Richard Brooks; Sunbury, George Leidy; Town Hill, G. V. Savidge; J. B. Doty (supply); Trevorton, W. W. Rothrock; Waller, Elmer E. McKelvy; Wapwallopen, R. M. Snyder; Washingtonville, R. J. Allen; Weatherly, John W. Buckley; White Haven, Norman H. Smith; William T. S. Deavor, Professor St. John's College, Annapolis, Md., member of Wapwallopen Quarterly Conference.

Trolley Passengers' Peril.

Fifteen of Them Badly Cut by Glass in a Crash.

A trolley collision on the Lehigh Traction Company's line occurred at Yorktown, about six miles south of Hazleton, in a dense fog, at 6.30 o'clock Saturday evening, in which fifteen passengers narrowly escaped with their lives. Motormen Rodgers and Fowler were caught in the crash, the latter sustaining injuries about the head that may result fatally. Fifteen of the passengers were seriously cut by flying glass.

The accident was due to the changing of the schedule at one end of the line, and not at the other.

CAKE WALK.

Preparations are being made by David Boughton, manager, for a grand cake walk, and dance to be held in Evans' Hall on Wednesday evening, March 31st. Over two hundred invitations have been sent out, and it is expected that a large number from Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Williamsport, and other places will be present to contest for the prizes, which will be a 14 karat gold watch to the first and a large cake to the second couple. Good music will be in attendance. Tickets for cake walk and dance $1.00 per couple, single admission 25c.

End of the World.

Rev. John Riley, of Shirley, Indiana, who has made a life study of astronomical calculations, has issued a statement predicting the end of the world in 1898 or 1900. The clergyman is sincere in his belief, and the result of his prediction, his congregation, which is one of the largest in the state, have begun preparations for the final leave-taking. Hundreds are being convinced daily. Mr. Riley formerly filled a pastorate at Tionesta, Forest county, Pa., and is well known in Western Pennsylvania.

Called to Bloomsburg.

Rev. R. N. Harris, pastor of the Congregational church of town, has been called to conduct a series of evangelistic services in the Trinity Reformed church at Bloomsburg, beginning on Monday evening next, and will leave for that place Monday morning. Rev. Harris has a wide reputation as a successful leader of such meetings.—*Mt. Carmel Item* of Saturday.

WILL OF MRS. FREAS BROWN.

The will of Mrs. Sarah J. Brown was probated on Saturday. It is dated June 13th, 1896 with a codicil dated November 21, 1896. J. C. Brown, W. S. Moyer and C. C. Peacock are appointed executors. The household furniture and clothing is divided among twelve neices who are named in the will. After making bequests to several of her relatives and to those of her deceased husband amounting to $9000, she disposed of the remainder as follows: To the Trustees of the First M. E. Church, of Bloomsburg, the sum of $1000 in trust to be invested and one-half of the interest to be applied to taking care of the cemetery lot and the other half to be applied to the payment on preacher's salary; to the executors in trust $500, the income of which to be equally divided between caring for the graves of Freas Brown's parents in the Brown Cemetery at Mifflinville and the other half to the care of the graves of Mrs. Brown's parents in Friends Burying Ground at Catawissa; the sum of $2,500 for a pipe organ for the new M. E. Church, Bloomsburg; to the Old Ladies Home in Philadelphia $2000, to be known as "The Mrs. Freas Brown Fund;" to the M. E. Orphanage, of Philadelphia $1000, to be designated "The Mrs. Freas Brown Fund;" to the Woman's Home Missionary Society, M. E. Church $2000; to the Preachers' Aid Society, M. E. Church $1000; to the Bloomsburg M. E. Church $1,000 as the last payment on the mortgage debt; to Dr. Stokes, manager of Ocean Grove Association $500, for church purpose; to Trustees of Bloomsburg M. E. Church $1000 to be by them invested and the interest to be expended in keeping church parsonage in repair; to the M. E. Hospital in Philadelphia $5000 to endow a free bed and to be known as "The Mrs. Freas Brown Bed;" to the loan fund of the Church Extension Society $10,000, to be invested and the income used for the purposes of the society, and the residue to be divided between the loan fund of the Church Extension Society, The Missionary Society, M. E. Church, and the Old Ladies Home of Philadelphia.

The estate will foot up to about $50,000.

HUGGED THEIR FAIR ATTORNEY.

Feminine Suspects Released From Jail Grew Demonstrative.

There was a unique scene in Court at Wilkesbarre on Monday when Hester Brace and Sarah Miller, colored, alleged accomplices in the blowing-up with dynamite of the house in the mountain, near that city, in October, 1894 were released for lack of evidence, after being detained in jail over two years on suspicion. As Judge Lynch told them they could go the dusky prisoners ran to the side of their attorney, Miss Mary L. Trescott, Luzerne's only woman attorney, threw their arms about her and wept. Many colored spectators lustily cheered this act of gratitude.

DR. SWALLOW ACQUITTED.

The jury in the case of the soldier's orphans' school commission at Harrisburg against Rev. Dr. Swallow, editor of the *Pennsylvania Methodist*, charged with criminal libel, returned a verdict on Tuesday morning of not guilty, but defendant to pay the costs. The libel case of J. C. Delaney, superintendent of public grounds and buildings against Dr. Swallow, was at once taken up, and will no doubt occupy the attention of the court for the remainder of this week.

DON'T NEED THEM.

Dogs are entirely too plenty in the south-eastern end of the town, and their owners don't seem to care a great deal what becomes of them. The residents of that section have come to the conclusion that poison will stop their barking all night long, and many of the worthless canines are receiving their quietus in this way.

SENT TO JAIL.

For stealing soap, beans, etc. from the Bloomsburg Store Company Store last week, and selling the same William Lockard and Ed. Correll were arrested. In default of $500 bail, they were sent to jail. It is said they sold their stealings to one Frank Rhodomoyer, and a search warrant was also issued for his premises.

The spring shirt bosoms are very much wall paper.

PEARL BRYAN'S SLAYERS.

No doubt many of our readers have read more or less concerning the foul murder, which was committed a little over a year ago, and for the benefit of those who have been reading the case, we print the following account of the execution of the two prominent young men, whom a jury convicted of the awful deed:

"The once promising lives of Scott Jackson and Alonzo Walling, the young dental students, paid the penalty on the gallows at Newport, Ky., Saturday for the murder of the sweet faced country girl, Pearl Bryan, of Green Castle, Indiana, and the extinguishing at the same time of the tiny spark of life that had driven her to desperation through fear of open shame. The scene was Fort Thomas and the date Feb. 1, 1895. The victim was decapitated to prevent identification and the head has never been located.

A big crowd gathered about the jail early Saturday morning in an endeavor to see the execution. The crowd, however, dwindled when the news reached it that Jackson had made a statement and it became the general opinion that the governor would interfere for a few days at least. The final decision came from the governor at 11:15 saying:

"No respite."

The procession formed at 11:31 and marched to the scaffold. The ropes were placed about their necks, the black caps adjusted and at 11:40 the traps were sprung. Jackson was pronounced dead in twenty minutes. Walling was suspended for twenty-three minutes before life was extinct. Walling's last words as he left the jail were, as he pointed to Jackson: "That man can save me if he will. I die an innocent man. I was not there when she was killed."

Normal School Notes.

This evening, there will be a public exhibition of the work done in the school in reciting and declaiming, which usually goes under the head of "Rhetoricals." Admission will be by ticket, which can be had free at the N. S. office. The following is the program.

Overture, Northern Light, Schleppergrell
B. S. N. S. Orchestra.
The Unknown Speaker.....Anon
E. O'Connor, Corry, Pa.
The Lady of Shalott.....Tennyson
Gertrude Freeman, Scranton, Pa.
Storm and Sunshine.....George F. Root
Junior Model School
Hagar in the Wilderness.....N. P. Willis
Frances R. Conner, Bloomsburg, Pa.,
Speech on American War.....Wm. Pitt
Eugene Brennan, Edwardsdale, Pa.
Asthore .....Trotere
Delia Geisinger, Espy, Pa.
The Courtin'.....Lowell
Myrtle Swartz, Hallstead, Pa.
The Patriot and Traitor.....Geo. Lippard
M. J. Franey, Shenandoah, Pa.
Caprice .....Rollison
Orchestra,
Briar Rose.....Hjalmer Hjorth Boyesen
Eleanor Sears Kimble, Honesdale, Pa.
The Double Anniversary, '76 and '63
.....Chas. Adams
Thos. F. Cule, Plymouth, Pa.

It was charged that there had been crookedness in some of the contracts made by the commissioners of Bradford county for the erection of the new court house at Towanda, and an investigation was made by the auditors, of which the Towanda *Review* says: "The auditors of Bradford county finally completed their labors yesterday afternoon, and their report was filed with the commissioners. It is a document of more than usual interest this year, because of the thorough investigation that has been made of the contracts for constructing the court house. The old board of commissioners is surcharged with $5,809.06, for commissions paid the architect and for overpayments to Contractor Bradley."

A slight fire in the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church at Harrisburg which is now occupied as the State Capitol, created a great scare Saturday morning. The fire was caused by an electric light wire, and it burned a hole in the floor under the stairway leading to the main entrance. Two page boys discovered the flames and an alarm was sounded, but the House employees soon put out the fire.

The following letters are advertised March 23, 1897. Andrew Camel, Mr. George Coleman, Miss Emma Dodson, Mr. C. H. Fisher, Miss Velera Hess, Miss Lizzie Hine, John Keefer, Mr. Thomas McCann, Mr. William Myers, J. L. McMullin, Mr. Warren Purcel, Thomas Steward, Daniel Waters. Will be sent to the dead letter office April 6, 1897.

JAMES H. MERCER, P. M.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

What Has Occurred There Since Our Former Report.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses have been issued by Clerk W. H. Henrie, since those published last week.

L. J. Drake, Welliversville, to Miss Martha E. Christopher, of the same place.

Samuel Muffley, of Light Street, to Miss Carrie Creasy, of Centre township.

TRANSFER OF REAL ESTATE.

The following transfers of real estate have been recorded in the office of C. B. Ent, register and recorder, during the week.

Geo. Miller, et al. to J. P. Fincher, for tract of land in Main township.

J. P. Fincher, et al. to William Creasy, for tract of land in Main township.

Elmira Reichart, et al. to Geo. W. Shuman for tract of land in Main township.

William McKelvy and wife to Peter Appleman, for tract of land in Montour township.

J. Sanderson Lazarus, to William Yost, for land in Bloomsburg.

Thomas A. Strong, to Margaret M. Parker, for tract of land in Jackson township.

Andrew A. Kressler, to Geo. W. Kressler, for tract of land in Pine township.

Bloomsburg Land Improvement Company, to Alvaretta Bittenbender, for land in Bloomsburg.

William F. Hauck and wife, to William Breisch, for tract of land in Beaver township.

Adam Fetterolf and wife, to Mary Breisch, for tract of land in Beaver township.

J. W. Evans and wife, to Ella G. Magee, for land in Bloomsburg.

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Peter C. Dreishbach, to Hugh McAffee, for tract of land in Beaver township.

Margaret Bradley to Patrick Bradley for land in Centralia.

J. R. Fowler, Treasurer, to John Moury, for tract of land in Fishingcreek township.

Bud Double, an English Setter, which was the property, of the late C. P. Armstrong, was sold last week, by W. K. Armstrong, one of the administrators, to Capt. T. G. Townsend, U. S. A., of Washington, D. C. The animal has always commanded the admiration of dog fanciers, and the price paid is said to have been big.

The sale was made through an advertisement in a publication known as "*Forest and Stream*," and had but one insertion. Mr. Armstrong received letters from all over the country.

Another proof that advertising pays.

There are a great many young men, and some not quite so young, who, if they make a wager, and happen to loose never get through finding fault, and kicking at the fellow who won. This is very unsportsmanlike. Betting, as we all know, is a game of chance, some one is always sure to loose, dame fortune will not always smile on you, and if you can't afford to loose the amount you wager, why the best plan is to keep your money in your pocket.

M. E. Yetter of Kansas City, a brother of W. H. Yetter of this town, died on Tuesday of last week. His remains arrived here on Thursday evening. The funeral took place from W. H. Yetter's house on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. Interment was made at Fisher's Church.

Harry Hendershott and Miss Laura Creveling were married on Thursday evening of last week at the Lutheran church, by Rev. McLinn. None but the intimate friends of the contracting parties witnessed the ceremony. They took the Reading train for a wedding tour. On their return they will reside here.

The unusually large congregations at the different churches on Sunday, was due to the fact that the Methodist Church was closed, the pastor Rev. Conner being in attendance at Conference.

Thornton Freeze received a severe shaking up at the Car work's on Saturday morning. His clothes were caught by a line shaft. He was discovered however just in the nick of time.

Splendid Mens' all-wool suits, $5.00. Splendid Youths' all-wool pants, $3.75.

Always Interesting

is what you'll find news from this store. Just now it's particularly so, because it's about something you or your boys will need, and very shortly too, and you certainly want to know where you can do best in buying. T'would be perfectly natural for us to tell you that our prices are the very lowest in this community for A 1 Quality, but we want you convinced of that fact. We want you to have thorough confidence in what you buy here. Your interests are ours. This store is your store We want to better it every day for you as well as for ourselves. We want you to see by a personal visit that we are truthful to our patrons. We sell everything to clothe man or boy from head to foot, Suits, Overcoats, Hats, Shirts, Underwear, Hosiery, Gloves, Neckwear, Canes, Umbrellas, Mackintosh Coats, Sweaters, Boy's Waists, Knee Pants, Men's extra pants, Trunks, Valises, Traveling Bags, Etc., and we guarantee our prices fully 5 to 10 per cent. below others or your money returned.

Gidding's

Mothers, we want you to see our summer line of children's novelties.

Scotch Overplaids, very stylish for spring, large line, men's, boys' and children's.

PICTURES OF PRIZE FIGHTS.

A Bill Introduced In the State Legislature Making Viatscope and Similar Exhibitions Illegal.

As a result of a conference held Monday evening, participated in by a number of legislature leaders, a novel bill was introduced in both branches on Tuesday. C. C. Kauffman, of Lancaster presented the measure in the Senate and a Philadelphia Representative took charge of it in the House. The bill is aimed directly at the exhibition of facsimiles of prize fights, and other illegal doings or events, by means of the viatscope, connematograph, biograph or any similar machine or device. An effort for speedy action will be made for the purpose of blocking the heralded influx of Carson City pictures. In discussing the matter Monday night Senator Kauffman said he had received a number of letters on this subject from clergymen and others. The bill is introduced makes an exhibition such as indicated a misdemeanor punishable by a maximum fine of $1,000 or six months' imprisonment.

The Glee and Banjo clubs of Lafayette College will give a concert in the Opera House Friday night. The College claims that these musical clubs hold a high place among other organizations of the same kind anywhere. They gave a concert in Bloomsburg about three years ago. Admission will be 25, 35 and 50 cents. Reserved seats can be had at Slate's bookstore.

The music department of the Normal held its eighth term concert in Normal Auditorium on Friday night. A large number of music lovers were present. Admission was by ticket.

Robert McWade, supported by a good company, appeared at the Opera House Monday night in his original veision of that standard play "Rip Van Winkle." The performances is said to have been very satisfactory.

The mens' meeting in Y. M. C. A. Hall on Sunday afternoon was addressed by M. I. Low of Lime Ridge. He took for his subject "Help at Hand."

A new swindle is being worked in a number of towns by two confederates in this manner: One of them goes into a store and purchases a small article, paying with a bill which has been previously marked. Picking up his change he departs. In a few minutes the other enters and buys a cigar, after standing around a few minutes he asks the clerk for his change. The swindler insists that he has paid and remembers it very distinctly because the bill he gave the clerk had a very familiar mark upon it, which he describes. The clerk looks in the till, finds the bill as described, gives him his change and apologizes for detaining him.

Centralia High School has reached third place in the voting contest for a library to be given by the *Philadelphia Times*, and is far enough ahead of the next lowest to hold the place. If it keeps climbing up as rapidly as at present it will reach a better place than third. Send in the coupons. Among the contributors not mentioned last week are Rev. A. J. McCann, and Freeze Quick.

W. H. Person of Allentown, aged about thirty-five years, well known in this section, died of heart disease, last week. Robert L. Runyon of town attended the funeral which was held on Saturday.

A petition is being signed and will be presented to the Town Council at its next meeting asking for the opening of Park Street, so as to enable people who are building to drive in to their properties.

Mrs. Harvey Hess, aged about sixty-three years, died at her home in Mifflinville, on Friday morning. Her death was caused by pneumonia. A husband and a son survive. The latter is employed at Binghampton, N. Y.

J. U. Kurtz of Berwick, came down Tuesday morning, and took up his Commission as Associate Judge, to which office he was recently appointed by the Governor.

C. C. Marr has moved into the house owned by William Kramer on Fourth Street.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

It is fortunate for the peace and comfort of a new President that the custom of retaining certain employes of the Executive Mansion from administration to administration is an established one. Many of the staff at the White House have been there for years, some of them dating their terms of service back to General Grant's first Administration. It is only the personal servants who are changed, and some of these have grown old in their places.

W. L. Pruden, the assistant secretary, and Colonel William H. Crook, the executive clerk, with three or four of the clerks under them, have passed more than a quarter of a century at the President's house, and to their executive ability and deep knowledge of affairs are due the smoothness with which its machinery is run. When a change in Presidents occurs, their long experience is of incalculable value, and during the first few months of an administration as well, when both the President and his secretary are unaccustomed to the work.

SECRETARY SHERMAN'S RESIDENCE.

In the official household Mr. Pruden and Colonel Crook rank next to the President's secretary, and are his executive officers. Mr. Pruden has charge of the numerous bills, and is the President's messenger to Congress. Colonel Crook is the paymaster of the house and looks after the files; but besides their routine duties they are both looked upon as oracles in official matters, and are consulted on all difficult questions.

There were at the capital during Inauguration week the daughters of three Presidents: Mrs. Semple, the daughter of President Tyler; Mrs. Sartoris, the daughter of President Grant, and Mrs. Stanley-Brown, President Garfield's only daughter. There was also present Mrs. Harriet Lane Johnston, the niece of President Buchanan, who, both while her uncle was Minister to the Court of St. James and while he was Chief Executive, presided over his household with dignity and grace.

President McKinley has had some training in the business of seeing men and women who called upon him to "pay their respects," but he is just now finding out for the first time what it is to be asked to listen to the importunities of those who seek office. The office seekers are losing no time. They were at the White House in shoals on Friday morning, and at times they contributed to the crush on the stairway from the main floor to the President's office on the floor above. While the departments are still in need of new Assistant Secretaries, and the chances of appointment are open the patriot who is prepared to give up lucrative private business in order to be able to serve his country in Washington will be very buoyant. The pretexts with which some of the men of this class refer to their search are entertaining because they are so old, while the makers of them congratulate themselves that they are new and original. One New York man, who would not be quite satisfied with anything less than an Assistant Secretary's place, tells those who speak to him about his ambition that he does not care much for office holding for the sake of the fame or the emoluments of the office. "I have a great admiration for the President," he says, "conceived when he was in Congress. I know that he will have a task quite herculean. A Republican can do nothing more useful or patriotic than to relieve the President of some of his labor by sharing it. I am willing and anxious to be a burden bearer." But this gentleman, who is a lawyer, whose experience ought to have made him a valued adviser, seeks to be a burden bearer at a salary of $4,000 or $4,500 a year. There are no would-be "burden bearers" who have announced that they would prefer to take places without salary than be disappointed in becoming helpful to President McKinley. Of resurrected persons there is a goodly number. They will vex the President greatly, for, having once held office, and having had the experience required in obtaining it, they are more artful than the tyro. The Minister abroad who seeks reappointment to his old post and who brings recommendations from the nation to which he was accredited is at once too proud and diplomatically indiscreet, for the State Department does not like to have recommendations of that kind. They are apt to be taken as indicating that the official has overrated his own popularity too strictly.

SENATOR.

A "recent visitor to the drawing rooms of royalty and the English aristocracy" reports that the book most to be seen there is Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox's poems.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Sam Jones's price for fighting the devil is $2,000 per month. When we consider the time Sam has been engaged in the business and the fact that the devil is still doing business at the old stand, it would seem that his charges are rather steep.

Pittsburg is to have illuminating gas at 50 cents per thousand feet, and the men who will supply it are not in the business for its hygienic advantages, either. They are eccentric enough to believe that a profit of 20 or 30 per cent on their investment will warrant them in going into the enterprise.

Two more convicts in Auburn have gone insane through the idleness enforced on them by the labor unions, and may therefore become permanent charges on the public. Take these prisoners out and set them to work on the roads. Then something will be got out of them, and the labor unions as well as other people will be the better off.

When the Kansas Legislature completes the task of giving "statutory force" to the Ten Commandments, it should go ahead and promote public health by passing a law to make illness a penal offense. By the same token it might improve the general welfare by enacting a bill to make drought a misdemeanor and a thunder storm a breach of the peace.

Some of Chicago's experimental philanthropists propose that all vacant lots in that city shall be turned over to the poor for the cultivation of beans. The bean idea is merely a variation of the Pingree potato scheme. It is worth trying, however, and if it brings the bean pots of the East into closer relationship with the mess pork of the West, it will develop into a solid institution.

Secretary of State Palmer of New York has completed his report to the Legislature showing the criminal statistics of the state, as reported to him by the clerks of sixty counties. The report, which is purely statistical, shows, so far as recorded, convictions for crime which prove that the people of this state are growing better, and that crime is on the decrease, as compared with the record made in 1895.

To one who loves the study of nations the evolution of national character and the shifting of the world's controling influences, surely Spain to-day must open a field unexampled in modern times for tragic interest. Long removed from friction with either the constructive or destructive politics of Europe, blessed in natural resources and rich in tradition, she has continued steadily a victim of herself, rather than of her enemies.

Experts estimate that 75 per cent of the silks now worn by American women are manufactured in this country. If this is correct, it indicates an enormous expansion of what is everywhere regarded as one of the most difficult and exacting of all textile industries. It has taken infinite care and expense to establish American silks in public favor, but the fact that it has been done is a positive triumph for the methods employed in the manufacture and treatment of those fabrics in this country.

More than 3,000,000 persons in the famine-stricken districts of India are now subsisting on public and private charity, and this number will probably be increased to 5,000,000 before the beginning of June. The relief rendered by the government is inadequate, but it is draining the resources of the country so completely that a long period of industrial and and business depression must necessarily ensue after the present distress has passed away. The combined effects of famine and plague will be to bring upon India the severest and most protracted interval of financial hardship she has ever experienced.

The Brooklyn Eagle, Democratic, says: When Gen. Stewart L. Woodford said in Washington yesterday that he believed that the appointment of Mr. Bliss would be satisfactory to Republicans of all shades in this state, he justified the confidence which his friends have in his ability to do and say the right thing at the right time. If Gen. Woodford had been unable to recognize the merit of a rival, and had not had sufficient self-control to speak courteously of that rival in the hour of his success, he would have been unfit for the office to which he aspired. Such conduct as this conserves civilization. It makes it easy for men to work together for the general good, because it shows that the general good is what we care for more than for personal advancement. We are headed in the right direction, and the time will soon come when men can strive for office without believing that the other man is a villain. Difference of opinion does not involve moral obliquity, nor does the availability of a man for a certain office prove that other men would not fill the office just as well.

THE VERY NEWEST WOMAN.

The Observed of All as She Painted a Sign on a Theater Wall.

"Hully gee, but she's got her nerve with her!"

A volley of chaff and comment was bandied to and fro over that intersection of Broadway and Seventh avenue known as Longacre the other afternoon. The cause? Only a woman painting a sign, but the sign was well up on the wall of Czar Oscar Hammerstein's Olympia.

It told of joys to come for the patrons of vaudeville when the chaste humor of "Silly's Dinner" shall have yielded place to the classic features of "Mrs. Radley Barton's Ball; or, Greater New York." May be it was the subtitle that caught the crowd. Anyhow the broad expance of street was lined hour after hour with curious spectators.

The woman was young and by no means ill looking. On the lofty pinnacle formed by a staging with a protecting canvas she worked as placidly and indifferently as it secluded in a studio and the crowd was miles away. Curves, flourishes and ornamental designs of all kinds grew under her brush and elicited favorable comment from the gamins and newsboys. But she worked heedlessly on.

She was New York's latest new woman.—*New York Journal.*

What use is there in eating when food does you no good—in fact, when it does you more harm than good, for such is the case if it is not digested? If you have a loathing for food there is no use of forcing it down, for it will not be digested. You must restore the digestive organs to their natural strength and cause the food to be digested, when an appetite will come, and with it a relish for food.

The tired, languid feeling will give place to vigor and energy; then you will put flesh on your bones and become strong. The Shaker Digestive Cordial as made by the Mount Lebanon Shakers contains food already digested and is a digester of foods as well. Its action is prompt and its effects permanent.

Doctors prescribe Laxol because it has all the virtues of Castor Oil and is palatable.

A Revolutionary Soldier's Children.

There are now living in this State five children of Colonel Gassaway Watkins, who served as an officer of the Maryland line throughout the revolutionary war. They are John S. Watkins, who represented Howard County in the Maryland Senate, notably in 1861 during the session at Frederick; Mrs. Caroline Watkins, widow; Mrs. Margaret Gassaway Warfield, widow of Albert G. Warfield; Mrs. Albina Clarke, widow of William Clarke, all of Howard County, and Mrs. Priscilla Kenly, wife of George T. Kenly, of Baltimore city. They are all hale and hearty and can recount many interesting reminiscences of the revolutionary war as told to them by their heroic father, who lived to see all his children grown.—*Baltimore Sun.*

COSTS 10 CENTS—But worth a dollar a vial—This is the testimony of hundreds who use Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills—They are so sure, so pure, so pleasant and easy acting. The demand for this popular Liver Regulator is so great it is taxing the makers to keep up with it.

Sold by C. A. Kleim.

An Aid to Find One's Hat.

We have all seen men standing in perplexity before the hat stand gazing distractedly into a hat, trying it on, and then replacing it on the hook with a murmur of "No, this is not mine," and repeating the operation helplessly until the familiar covering was fonnd. Black felt hats do look very much alike, so to enable the owner to distinguish his own at a glance some clever person has invented a silver hat plate.

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Turnips " "	.25
Onions " "	.60
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Side meat " "	.06
Vinegar, per qt	.07
Dried apples per lb	.05
Dried cherries, pitted	.12
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Cow Hides per lb	.3½
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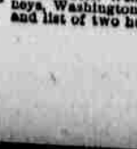

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WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, March 19, 1897.

There have been several times during the present week when an open rupture between Mr. McKinley and some of the biggest men in his party seemed inevitable, but by sacrificing some of his personal friends Mr. McKinley has so far avoided it. The bones of contention are the big offices. It is the fierce fight over each of them that accounts for the small number of nominations sent to the Senate. Slates are no sooner made up than some objector gets backing enough to smash them. A number of men who had Mr. McKinley's positive promise that they would get certain positions have had to give way to the objectors, among them being ex-Gov. Merriam, of Minn., and ex-Congressman Storer, Ohio. It was not intended to make any but necessary appointments until after the tariff bill got through Congress, but it will require some very adroit maneuvering to do even that much without starting a bitter factional fight in the republican party. There is a fight now in the Congressional delegation of nearly every state, especially bitter in those having republican Senators, over the men who shall get the offices which are to go to those states. Still, there are columns of rot being printed about the existing harmony between the administration and Congress.

The honest patent lawyers of Washington are after the fake concerns who have been bringing discredit upon their profession in dead earnest now. They have employed Mr. William Small, Attorney-at-Law, McGill Building, Washington, D. C. to undertake the duty of suppressing and prosecuting swindling concerns, and he invites correspondence from inventors, newspaper publishers and others who have been deceived and defrauded by and through false and fraudulent representations, specious devices, including offers and awards of prizes, medals of honor, certificates of stock, etc., of alleged procurers and sellers of patents. Those who have had unsatisfactory dealings with these fake patent concerns should accept the invitation and write to Mr. Small.

Using a bill introduced in Congress, which has no chance to pass, as a basis to swindle the ignorant is by no means a new dodge, but, according to the correspondence of many southerners in Congress, such a dodge is now being successfully worked among the ignorant negroes of the southern states by unscrupulous men. During the first session of the last Congress, Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, introduced by request a bill providing for the payment of a pension to all negroes who had been slaves. It was well known in Washington that the bill would never be seriously considered in committee, to say nothing of being passed by either House or Senate, but that bill is being made the basis of a swindle upon the poor negroes, who are being told that upon the payment of 25 cents for filling out an official looking blank with their name, age, residence, etc., they will be entitled to a pension when the bill becomes a law. The worst part of this dirty swindle is that the men operating it cannot be prosecuted, as it is printed upon each blank that "it is to secure the names and number of persons in each state entitled to a pension under the Thurston pension bill," and the fee is charged for filling the blank.

The nomination of Henry White to be Secretary of Embassy at London, was almost as unpalatable to republicans as the Van Alen nomination to Italy was to democrats when it was made by Mr. Cleveland about four years ago. Some of them are inclined to be sarcastic about it. For instance, the man who said: "Who says White isn't an American! He has lived abroad for many years, but didn't he come over from Europe last year, live at Newport just long enough to cast his first vote and then go back. White is all right. His help is needed to make John Hay popular in London's swell society.

The tarift monstrosity known as the Dingley bill is in many respects worse than the McKinley bill, but it is going to be crammed down the throats of the democrats of the House with less than two weeks debate. There are also quite a number of republicans in the House who are opposed to this bill, and a few of them have threatened privately to vote against it, but there will not be enough of them to affect the result. The democratic opinion of the bill was voiced when Representative Berry, of Ky., said: "It is an excessively high protective tariff measure. It will, if passed, inevitably raise the price of the necessaries of life, such as sugar and the woolen goods worn by all classes. I don't see how it can fail to add to the burdens of the people instead of lightening them. It will cut off our foreign markets by raising the cost of production and thus curtail the manufacturers sales. As a consequence the mills will need to run only six months, instead of all the year, as they ought to do."

FOR A SILVER BELT.

Proposed Nevada Legislation to Honor a Pugilist.

Not content with legalizing the contest for the world's pugilistic championship, Assemblyman Tim Dempsey proposes to introduce a bill in the Nevada legislature within the next few days, asking for an appropriation of $3,000 for the purpose of having made a gorgeous belt of silver, with diamond studding, to be presented to the winner of the great battle.

The bill is being drawn up at the present time, and it provides that the secretary of state shall deliver the belt on the 18th of March next, along with a certificate and affidavit, notifying the world of the significance of the trophy. It is intended to have on the belt a reproduction of the official seal of Nevada and a facsimile of the signature of Governor Sadler to the approval of the measure.

It is claimed that a majority of the members of the legislature have signified their willingness to vote for the bill and that Governor Sadler has already given his consent to sign the act if it passes.

The governor will not admit this to outsiders, giving as an explanation that he never signs a bill of any kind until he has seen and read it thoroughly. But he says he approves of the idea of a Navada championship belt.

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When you need a nurse, look about for some country cousin, some minister's daughter, some girl brought up clean and pure and refined. Tell her you will take her as a sister or friend at so much a month, she to share your cares and responsibilities as far as she can and have a home and society within certain bounds. Make the position as you want it. Define its duties, privileges, bounds and recompense; then find some one to fill it. And remember that the more sensibly pleasant you make it the higher the grade of person who will fill it. You will say "Utopia," but it can be done.

Mrs. Liver has the ideal country cousin, working for her living and taking music and night school work. She and Julia accomplish the work without a servant. A washerwoman once a week is all that is necessary, and Mrs. Liver is so content with this way that her only worry about the matter is expressed when she says of Julia: "Yes, she'll marry. They all do."—*Mothers' Nursery Guide.*

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Taking a Case Out of Court.

Judges do not interfere with the trial of cases, as a rule, though it is sometimes hard work for them to refrain, especially when they see a lawyer injuring his client by mismanaging his case. Sometimes they help him out in the interests of justice, but ordinarily they allow the case to go on. I recall an important case which was begun before one of our courts awhile ago. It was complicated with techicalities, and a proper decision involved a knowledge of business methods which the ordinary juryman was not likely to have. The trial proceeded a little while, when the judge stopped it, called both counsel to him and said: "This case can't be properly tried here. Let me take it from the jury, and I will refer it to three business men, who shall hear it and decide it." Both lawyers assented, and it was disposed of in that way.—*Boston Globe.*

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'CYCLE NOTES.

A Discovery that Will Keep Macadam Roads Free from Dust.

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Nan—His disposition? Why, how could it?

Belle—When he gets up to give baby a drink and steps on a tack, he is so glad that it is in his foot instead of his pneumatic tire, that he doesn't say anything.—Pearson's Weekly.

A bill introduced in the New York Legislature providing for the expenditure of $20,000 for a cycle path, twenty feet wide, on Jerome avenue, New York city, has been passed by both branches of the Legislature and been signed by the Governor.

Champion bicycle rider "Eddie" Bald, for whom nearly all the leading bicycle manufacturers have been angling since the close of last season, recently at the Syracuse cycle show announced his intention to ride the same wheel this season as last. His title of White Flyer will therefore not be changed. Bald will start in a few days for California or the South to begin his season's training.

The official organ of the League of American Wheelmen recently stated that a cyclist had discovered that macadam roads could be kept moist and free from dust by sprinkling thinly with chloride of calcium, chloride of magnesium or bittern. The plan has been tried in a section of the West where the climate is very dry, with some success, and the subject is being thoroughly investigated in this city with the object of making similar experiments to determine the value of the scheme. If it should prove a success it may be among the possibilities of the future to banish the watering cart nuisance and thus serve as another tribute to the enterprise of wheelmen and their League.

Chief Consul Robert Holm, of St Louis, who has been spoken of as being identified with the movement to form a racing association in opposition to the L. A. W., has written a letter to President Potter in which he says that the talk of dissatisfaction in Missouri is "nonsense and in no wise comes from the representative wheelmen." He admits that the Missouri division was disappointed at the failure to secure the League's consent to approve of Sunday races, but had the L. A. W. consented to allow divisional option on the question he says that neither the L. A. W. nor the Associated Cycling Clubs of St. Louis would have held such races. The object of the Missouri division in seeking the approval of the organization for Sunday racing was to secure jurisdiction over the bicycle races that are held on Sunday at picnic games. Holm says that he does not think that the "League of the Independent Wheelmen" in St. Louis can injure the L. A. W. in any way. He says that the L. A. W. races held on Saturdays and holidays have always paid financially.

A Four-Year-Old Prodigy.

A four-year-old infant prodigy was exhibited recently before the Berlin Anthropological Society. He is the son of a butcher, and at two years of age learned to read without assistance. He knows the dates of the birth and death of all the German Emperors and many other noted persons, and their birthplaces, the chief cities of the world, and all the great battles. He can read anything in print, and can talk intelligently about it, but finds it hard to learn to write and draw, dislikes music and hates pianofortes. The boy is physically well developed, though not robust.—New York Sun.

THE APRON OVERSKIRT RETURNS.

Many new silk and cotton dresses are made with this old-fashioned drapery.

Consumption Decreasing.

According to Dr. Abbott, of the Massachusetts State Board of Health, the death rate from consumption is decreasing in a satisfactory manner, especially among women. He attributes the improvement to out-door work among the people and the healthful exercise gained by cycling.

AN OPEN LETTER.

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STATIONS.	EAST. A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.
NORTHUMBERLAND	6 25	1 50	10 05	5 50
Cameron	6 38	.....	.....	6 03
Chulasky	.....	.....	.....	6 07
Danville	6 50	2 12	10 26	6 19
Catawissa	7 03	2 26	10 39	6 28
Rupert	7 09	2 31	10 44	6 33
Bloomsburg	7 18	2 36	10 49	6 39
Espy	7 23	2 42	....	6 45
Lime Ridge	7 30	2 48	.....	6 52
Willow Grove	7 34	2 52	.....	6 56
Briarcreek	7 38	.....	.....	7 00
Berwick	7 48	3 01	11 12	7 06
Beach Haven	7 54	3 07	11 18	7 12
Hick's Ferry	8 00	3 13	....	7 19
Shickshinny	8 10	3 24	11 33	7 35
Hunlock's	8 20	3 34	.....	7 40
Nanticoke	8 27	3 42	11 49	7 54
Avondale	8 32	3 47	.....	7 58
Plymouth	8 37	3 52	11 56	8 03
Plymouth Junction	8 42	3 57	.....	8 07
Kingston	8 50	4 05	12 05	8 12
Bennett	8 53	4 08	.....	8 16
Forty Fort	8 56	4 11	.....	8 19
Wyoming	9 01	4 17	12 16	8 27
West Pittston	9 06	4 22	.....	8 30
Susquehanna Ave	9 10	4 25	12 23	8 33
Pittston	9 15	4 30	12 26	8 39
Duryea	9 19	4 34	.....	8 44
Lackawanna	9 24	4 37	.....	8 48
Taylor	9 32	4 45	12 40	8 57
Bellevue	9 37	4 50	.....	9 02
SCRANTON	9 42	4 55	12 48	9 07
	A. M	P. M.	P. M.	P. M

STATIONS.	WEST. A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
SCRANTON	6 00	9 55	1 55	6 00
Bellevue	6 05	.....	.....	.....
Taylor	6 10	10 04	2 05	6 10
Lackawanna	6 18	10 11	2 13	6 17
Duryea	6 22	10 14	2 16	6 21
Pittston	6 28	10 18	2 20	6 24
Susquehanna Ave	6 32	10 21	2 23	6 28
West Pittston	6 35	10 24	2 27	6 31
Wyoming	6 40	10 29	2 32	6 36
Forty Fort	6 45	.....	.....	.....
Bennett	6 48	10 36	2 39	6 44
Kingston	6 54	10 39	2 45	6 53
Plymouth Junction	6 59	10 43	2 50	.....
Plymouth	7 04	10 47	2 54	7 00
Avondale	7 09		2 58	7 07
Nanticoke	7 14	10 54	3 02	7 12
Hunlock's	7 20	11 00	3 10	7 20
Shickshinny	7 31	11 10	3 24	7 35
Hick's Ferry	7 44	11 23	3 35	7 47
Beach Haven	7 54	11 32	3 42	7 58
Berwick	8 00	11 40	3 49	8 06
Briarcreek	8 06	.....	3 55	.....
Willow Grove	8 10	11 50	3 59	8 11
Lime Ridge	8 14	11 56	4 04	8 1
Espy	8 21	12 04	4 11	8 2
Bloomsburg	8 28	12 12	4 17	8 36
Rupert	8 34	12 18	4 23	8 38
Catawissa	8 40	12 23	4 29	8 41
Danville	8 55	12 37	4 42	8 58
Chulasky	.....	.....	4 49	...
Cameron	9 05	12 46	4 54	9 11
NORTHUMBERLAND	9 20	1 00	5 08	9 22
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M

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7.10	11.40	6.30	2.40	" P. & R.	8.31	2.42	6.44	6.13
7.08	11.35	6.26	2.3	" Main st.	8.36	2.45	6.47	
7.03	11.32	6.21	2.28	Irondale		2.47	6.50	6.25
6.53	11.23	6.12	2.20	Paper Mill	8.44	2.54	6.58	6.37
6.50	11.20	6.09	2.15	Light St.	8.47	3.00	7.01	6.50
6.40	11.10	5.59	2.00	Orangeville	8.56	3.10	7.10	7.10
6 29	11.01	5.48	1.31	Forks	9.06	3.20	7.20	7.35
6.25	10.58	5.44	1.30	Zaner's	9.09	4.28	7.24	7.45
6.18	10.53	5.37	1.25	Stillwater	9.13	3.30	7.29	8.00
6 08	10.43	5.27	1.10	Benton	9.23	3.40	7.39	8.40
6.04	10 40	5 22	12.35	Edson's	9.26	3.45	7.44	8.50
6.02	0 38	5 20	12.30	Cole's Cr'k.	9.28	3.47	7.48	8.53
5.58	10.35	5. 6	12.25	Sugarloaf	9.31	3.52	7.52	9.00
5.53	10.32	5.13	12 20	Laubach	9.35	3.57	7.57	9.10
5.43	10.23	5.03	12.05	Central	9.45	4.07	8.07	9 30
5.40	10.20	5.00	11.50	Jam. City	9.50	4.11	8.10	9.40
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Pittston " "	7 08	10 00	2 50	5 06
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M
Wilkesbarre....lv	$ 7 30	$10 15	$ 3 15	$ 6 00
Plym'th Ferry "	7 38	10 20	3 21	6 04
Nanticoke..... "	7 46	10 27	3 29	6 15
Mocanaqua..... "	8 04	10 45	3 47	6 35
Wapwallopen. "	8 13	10 55	3 57	6 46
Nescopeck.....ar	8 24	11 10	4 08	6 58
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	
Pottsville.....lv	$ 6 00	$ 9 05	$ 1 50	.....
Hazleton..... "	7 10	1 35	3 01	.....
Tombicken..... "	7 30	1 25	3 22	.....
Fern Glen..... "	7 38	1 34	3 28	.....
Rock Glen..... "	7 43	1 40	3 39	.....
Nescopeck.....ar	8 07	.....	08	.....
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	
Nescopeck.....lv	$ 8 24	$11 10	$ 4 08	.....
Creasy..... "	8 33	Via	4 17	.....
Espy Ferry..... "	8 43	Rock	4 27	.....
E. Bloomsburg "	8 47	Glen	4 32	.....
		P. M.		
Catawissa.....ar	8 55	12 18	4 39	.....
Catawissa.....lv	9 25	12 18	4 59	.....
S. Danville..... "	9 14	12 34	4 57	.....
Sunbury..... "	9 35	12 55	5 20	.....
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	
Sunbury.....lv	$ 9 45	$ 1 00	$ 5 40	.....
Lewisburg.....ar	10 15	1 45	6 10	.....
Milton..... "	10 67	1 29	6 06	.....
Williamsport.. "	11 00	2 20	7 00	.....
Lock Haven..... "	12 05	3 32	8 00	.....
Renovo..... "	P. M.	4 30	9 00	.....
Kane..... "	.....	8 15	.....	.....
	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	
Lock Haven...lv	$12 10	$3 45	.....	.....
Bellefonte.....ar	1 05	4 44	.....	.....
Tyrone..... "	2 15	6 00	.....	.....
Phillipsburg..... "	4 28	8 26	.....	.....
Clearfield..... "	5 06	9 09	.....	.....
Pittsburg..... "	7 00	11 30	.....	.....
	A. M.		P. M.	
Sunbury.....lv	$ 9 55	$ 1 55	$ 5 30	.....
Harrisburg....ar	$11 30	$ 3 20	7 10	.....
	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	
Philadelphia..ar	$ 3 0	$ 6 23	$11 18	.....
Baltimore..... "	3 0	6 00	10 40	.....
Washington.... "	4 0	7 15	.....	.....
	A. M.		P. M.	
Sunbury.....lv	$10 05		$ 2 45	.....
	P. M.			
Lewistown Jc ar	12 05		4 37	.....
Pittsburg..... "	7 00		$11 30	.....
	A. M.		P. M.	P. M.
Harrisburg.....lv	$11 45		3 50	$ 7 30
	P. M.			A. M.
Pittsburg.....ar	7 00		120	$ 2 00

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		P. M.		A. M
Pittsburg.....lv	$ 7 05	$ 8 10	.....	$ 8 00
Harrisburg....ar	$ 2 10	$ 3 30	.....	$ 3 10
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Pittsburg.....lv	.....	.....	.....	† 8 00
				P. M.
Lewistown Jc."	.....	† 7 30	.....	† 3 1
Sunbury.....ar	.....	† 9 18	.....	† 5 10
	P. M.	A. M.		A. M
Washington....lv	10 40	.....	.....	10 50
Baltimore..... "	11 50	4 55	.....	12 00
Philadelphia... "	11 20	4 30	.....	12 25
	A. M.	A. M.		P. M.
Harrisburg.....lv	$ 3 30	$ 8 05	.....	† 3 55
Sunbury.....ar	$ 5 08	$ 9 38	.....	† 5 35
	P. M.			A. M.
Pittsburg.....lv	$ 1 00	.....	.....	† 8 00
Clearfield..... "	4 09	.....	.....	9 31
Philipsburg..."	4 56	.....	.....	10 14
Tyrone..... "	7 15	.....	.....	12 30
Bellefonte..... "	8 31	.....	.....	1 42
Lock Haven...ar	9 30	.....	.....	2 43
	A. M.	A. M.		A. M.
Erie.....lv	$ 3 25	.....	.....	.....
Kane..... "	7 05	.....	.....	† 6 30
Renovo..... "	10 25	.....	.....	10 25
Lock Haven.... "	11 25	† 7 20	.....	P. M. 13 00
Williamsport.. "	3 25	8 20	.....	4 00
Milton..... "	4 12	9 22	.....	4 56
Lewisburg..... "	.....	9 15	.....	4 47
Sunbury..... ar	4 36	9 50	.....	5 25
	A. M.	A. M.		P. M.
Sunbury.....lv	† 5 25	† 9 55	.....	† 5 43
S. Danville..... "	5 48	10 17	.....	6 07
Catawissa..... "	6 08	10 35	.....	6 26
E. Bloomsburg"	Via	10 48	.....	6 33
Espy Ferry..... "	Rock	f10 47	.....	f 6 38
Creasy..... "	Glen.	10 56	.....	6 48
Nescopeck....ar	8 07	11 10	.....	6 58
	A. M.	A. M.		P. M.
Nescopeck.....lv	.....	†11 10	.....	† 6 56
Rock Glen.....ar	† 6 52	f11 35	.....	7 22
Fern Glen..... "	6 59	11 43	.....	7 27
Tomhicken..... "	7 10	11 54	.....	7 34
		P. M.		
Hazleton..... "	7 37	12 15	.....	7 56
Pottsville..... "	8 45	1 20	.....	9 05
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Nescopeck.....lv	† 8 07	†11 10	† 1 08	† 6 58
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Mocanaqua..... "	8 28	11 32	4 32	7 21
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Plym'th Ferry "	f 8 56	12 02	5 01	† 7 52
Wilkesbarre.... "	9 05	12 10	5 10	8 00
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FELLOW CITIZENS!

Two important offices are to be filled this fall, that of Associate Judge, and that of Sheriff. Are you alive to the importance of selecting men for these places yourselves and fully determined not to have persons forced upon you by importunity and other questionable methods? Men are not fitted for office because they are active political workers. We are not wanting in examples of that fact. Everybody knows it, and any citizen can put his finger on some one from the governor down who does not fill the bill.

The office of Associate Judge is an important one, because it is a conspicuous one, because it is an honorable one and because it is a responsible one. In many cases the Associates can overrule the President Judge—as in the matter of granting liquor licenses—in the matter of determining the punishment of criminals—and in others that need not be mentioned. The mental and moral caliber of our people will be gauged by measuring the selection we make for that office. It is quite within the possibilities that the people are ready for a political break on that office, and as there are certain to be three candidates in the field, an injudicious selection by the Democrats may result in their defeat. The muttering on the subject is both loud and deep and must be heeded; and now is the time for the people to set aside the mere political jobbers, and take the direction of the campaign and the selection of a proper person as a candidate into their own hands.

It may be conceded that the Associate Judge will come from the north side of the river, and that he will not come out of the town of Bloomsburg. What conspicuous and judicious democrat is there who ought to be selected, and who would give to and receive from the office distinction and respect? If the Democratic convention cannot find such a man, the Temperance Convention or the Republican Convention may profit by our blunder. How does what happened in Bloomsburg strike you as a pointer?

INVESTIGATOR'S REPORT.

The report of the committee appointed to investigate the condition of the treasury was handed to the legislature on Tuesday. It finds nothing wrong with either the office of the state treasurer, or auditor general. The latter office is found to be sadly in need of clerical assistance, and it is recommended that the legislature enact a law authorizing the appointment of a deliquent clerk, whose duty it shall be to look after the delinquent corporations in the matter of taxation.

Before the French Revolution.

Before the revolution the government established warehouses at which the inhabitants were compelled to purchase their stores of salt. These warehouses were numerous in some provinces and few in others, but whether sufficient or insufficient for the needs of the population they were often situated at a considerable distance from the towns and villiages, whose inhabitants had to trudge miles along bad roads to buy their salt. But this was not all. It was prescribed by law that the head of every family must lay in his stock of salt not at such times as might suit his own convenience, but on one stated day in the year. Should he fail in this observance he was fined, and he was also fined if he purchased a smaller quantity than the law prescribed. His hardships did not stop even there.

On making his annual purchase he had to state the different purposes for which he intended to use the salt during the ensuing year, and in the event of his being discovered salting his soup instead of his pork according to his statement, or his pork instead of his soup on the day he had named, he was also liable to a fine. His kitchen was never secure from the intrusion of the inspecting officer, and woe to the housewife who was detected in any petty infraction of this law. —*Nineteenth Century.*

McKinley prosperity is a dismal failure. When the people rest from breaking banks the Mississippi takes a whack at it.

GARMAN ON STATE ISSUES.

The Democratic Chairman Begins the Talk About the Coming Campaign.

John M. Garman, chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee, discussed the probable attitude of the Democratic party toward the political issues of the Commonwealth, and especially in the matter of the campaign for State Treasurer and Auditor General.

"I have given the matter a great deal of attention," said Chairman Garman, "and a great deal of quiet and effective work has been carried on throughout the State. The conduct of the Republican Legislature has favored the Democracy. No session in the history of the State has been as full of scandals and investigations, and the fact should be borne in mind that the charges of bribery, of corruption and official dishonesty are put forth by Republicans and cannot be called Democratic campaign stories. Not one story or one demand for an investigation into official dishonesty can be traced to the Democratic party.

"The probabilities are that the State committee which meets in April will decide that the coming campaign will be conducted on a platform made up of purely State issues. There never was a time when the industrial interests, the rights of both corporations and private citizens were as much endangered as to-day. The Republican party in this State has convinced the business interests that their safety lies with the State Democracy. I have a number of letters from men at the heads of great business interests. These men opposed the Democracy last fall. To-day they say that a change is necessary, and in such a year when neither Congressmen nor Legislators are to be elected they say that if the Democratic party nominates an honest business man for State Treasurer and an equally honest man for Auditor General the party will stand an excellent chance of winning. And they will do all they can to aid us. The organization of the party has gone on steadily. We need no campaign literature. That, as I said, has been supplied in abundance by the Republicans."

The chairman also stated that the State committee had under consideration a plan to form a Democratic State Editorial Association, but that, he said, would be determined by the editors themselves. He approves of the idea and believes that such an organization might if properly conducted be productive of great good to the party.

"Has there been any suggestions as to candidates for State Treasurer or Auditor General?" Mr. Garman was asked.

"Out in the western part of the State James M. Guffey, of Allegheny, has been put forward by his friends for the State Treasurer nomination, and quite a number of prominent names have been mentioned in connection with the Auditor Generalship, but little consideration is likely to be given to canditates before the 1st of May."

No Extravagance.

That legislator made but little good use of the latest weekly recess who did not learn from his constituents that they approved the suggestion and recommendations of the governor in his recent message as to the erection of a capitol building.

A wholly satisfactory and convenient as well as creditable central building, in the group system, can be easily constructed for half a million dollars. The combined judgment of the ablest architects, engineers and builders sustains this view. Greater expenditure might make a building more complete in needless detail but not more imposing.

Every consideration demands economy at this time. The members who encourage by voice and vote extravagance and unnecessary expense will be sure to be brought to book by their constituents. The party that stands firmly for an economy that is not niggardly will warrant and receive public approval. The Democratic members of both houses should unite solidly with such Republicans as approve the sentiment of the governor's message.—*Patriot.*

The Blockade of Crete.

The attitude which the United States will take in relation to the blockade of Crete must be decided more quickly than was expected, the powers having notified the United States of the blockade of the island. It is apparent, therefore, that now is the time to assume and retain a decisive position.

It would be, perhaps, a mistake to wait antil a United States vessel endeavoring to trade with the people of the island, shall be overhauled by the ships of the powers. Any action taken then would appear as made to suit the occasion. Besides, if objections be not stated immediately, silence during the continuance of the operations of allied fleets would be taken as consent to the blockade and thus nugatise demands for reparation should the United States make any for the overhauling of a vessel flying its flag. This government also owes it to owners of American vessels to notify them at the earliest opportunity as to whether or not it contemplates acknowledging or denying the blockade, whether or not it will protect them in the prosecution of their business.

If the blockading of a country which is not at war with another is a violation of international law it would be impolitic and cowardly for the United States to enter no protest and make no sign unless perchance an American vessel should be a sufferer; impolitic because now would help establish a precedent that must be disastrous to the peace and liberty of every nation, encouraging the repetition of the unlawful act without end or reason; and cowardly because as the greatest of neutral nations the United States by an early and earnest protest might indicate and impress upon the powers the lawlessness of their course and prevent its continuance in the present case and its recurrence in the future.

It is a delicate subject to handle and a worse one to let alone. If the blockade of Crete is without warrant of international law, as it is said to be, the United States should protest.—*Ex.*

Longer School Terms.

Bill No. 53, now in the House of Representatives at Harrisburg, entitled "An Act to extend the minimum school term to seven months," should receive unanimous support. The time has come when Pennsylvania should take this step—as well as other steps—in the line of progressive school legislation. The bill has been reported from the Committee on Education, of which Mr. Hammond is chairman, and provides, as its title reads, for the extension of the minimum school year to seven months. The term is now six months. Pennsylvania is the twenty-eighth State in length of school term—that is, twenty seven States have longer terms, and, as a fact, twenty-six pay larger salaries. The school term in the city of Philadelphia, however, is ten months.

In providing for longer terms of teaching the increased cost would not necessitate an increase of the heavy appropriations on the part of the State. The money would have to be raised by local taxation. There would be less hardship in the levy of a little additional school tax, because the extra-liberal policy of the Legislature has of late years tended to shift the burden and to make the schools more and more a charge upon the State Treasury. Money paid for better and larger knowledge is always well invested; and Pennsylvania cannot afford to lag behind her sister Commonwealths.—*Phila. Record.*

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

It is said that athletic sports have not gained quite so much of a foot hold in this country as in England. While this may be true, yet it cannot be said that the United States is by any means lagging in this respect, and out door sports of all kinds are constantly growing. "What will be the future effect upon our young men is a question of great importance," says an exchange. It adds most of them have a living to make. Do athletic sports conduce to that end? "In business, as in everything else," says Professor Bryce, "brains and pains will win in the long run; and our young men who take life easily and give all their spare hours and thoughts to foot ball, or cricket or cycling, much as we may sympathize with these exercises, will find themselves distanced in business by the painstaking, hardworking, systematic, thrifty German, whose thoughts are bent steadily upon the main purpose of his life.

The Germans have not been infected with the mania for athletics, and they are supplanting the English in the walks of business even in England. In the markets of the world, too, they are fast becoming formidable rivals of the English. They are free from athletic emulation—that emulation which is absorbing the time and becoming a part of the life of so many of the young men in our day both in England and in our own country. "The reason why," says an Englishman, "they so often get the better posts in houses of business is that they have no other interest than the one they live by."

The truth is that competition is becoming so fierce in all walks of life that one must lend his energies to work, if he would make his way in the world. There must be, no doubt, holidays and relaxations; but these should be episodes, not the great interest of life. That must be centred upon the appointed task, upon the chosen work of one's life. When one has achieved the glorious privilege of being independent he has merited liberty of choice. His first duty, however, is to make good his standing place in the world; and this he will never do if his attention be diverted by golf, cricket, baseball and cycling. These, indeed, are good in their proper time and place; but the whole force of his being should be given to his main calling. "Know," says Carlyle, "what thou canst work at, and work at it like a Hercules!" Athletics has a tendency to weaken the force of that strenuous gospel and to divert our youth into more exciting and pleasurable paths. This is a dangerous tendency, over which should be kept ward and watch.

Lippincott's Magazine for April, 1867.

The complete novel in the April issue of *Lippincott's* is "Ray's Recruit," by Captain Charles King. It is in this favorite author's well-known manner, and recounts the experiences of a most superior and unusual private.

Elsie A. Robinson, in "Joe Riggler's Romance," tells a curious story of a mining camp. Mary B. Goodwin explains the difficulties which certain charming sisters had in "Answering his Letter."

Some odd facts about "Animal Cannoneers and Sharpshooters" are given by Dr. James Weir, Jr. Calvin Dill Wilson describes "Oyster-planting and Oyster-farming." Fred. Chapman Mathews puts forth "A Plea for our Game."

"Goethe in Practical Politics" is defended by F. P. Sterns, who thinks that the poet was a patriot, a liberal-conservative, and a wise statesman. J. Harvey Pence discusses "Politics on the American Stage."

Emily P. Weaver gives "A Glimpse of Old Philadelphia," from the book of Peter Kalm, a Swedish botanist, who visited the city about 1749.

"The Gentle Art of the Translator" is expounded by Caroline W. Latimer. Alice Morse Earle writes of "Matrimonial Divinations," and Beulah Carey Gronlund of "Two Chinese Funerals."

The poetry of the number is by Nora C. Franklin, Carrie Blake Morgan, and Frederick Peterson.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 1897,

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THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 1897.

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BRIEF MENTION.

About People You Know.

John G. McHenry of Benton, was a visitor to town on Saturday.

Mrs. John S. Gilbert of Jenkintown, is visiting relatives in town.

Will C. Baird of Lebanon, spent two days in town this week.

Frank Kintler of Wilkesbarre, spent Sunday visiting friends in town.

W. B. Mericle of Buckhorn, gave this office a pleasant call on Monday.

G. Snyder attended the funeral of John Gellenger at Sunbury on Thursday.

F. P. Billmeyer of New York made a business trip to Bloomsburg last week.

E. W. Drinker of Wilkesbarre, spent Sunday with his mother on First Street.

C. H. Dorr, editor of the Berwick "Independent," was in town on Monday.

Mrs. John Hassenplug of Milton, Sundayed with her son H. S. Hassenplug, on East Street.

Miss Mary J. Hess of Benton, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Jane McBride, on Third Street.

Ben. Gidding went to Williamsport on Monday, to attend a hop given by the Y. P. L. A. of that city.

John Fox has accepted a position with Edward Schenck of Berwick. He left for that place on Monday.

Miss Helen Laycock attended the funeral of her aunt, Mrs. Mahala Laycock, at Scranton on Thursday.

Miss Josephine Johnson of Berwick, spent Sunday in town, as the guest of Miss Bertha Shoemaker, on Sixth Street.

William Lowenberg is in New York this week, buying the spring and summer stock for the D. Lowenberg clothing store.

Charles E. Kelchner, who is employed as a drug clerk at Philadelphia, is spending a week's vacation with his town friends.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sisson and daughter of Tenafly, New Jersey, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Williams on Fifth St.

After a two week's visit with her sister Mrs. G. N. Wilson, in town, Miss Mary Wagner of Muncy Station, returned home on Monday.

Hon. George W. Rhodes and wife, of Herndon, Northumberland County, visited their daughter Mrs. Dieffenbach, in town last week.

Lee Martin, who is attending the E. F. Bowman Technical School at Lancaster, came home on Saturday to spend Sunday with his mother.

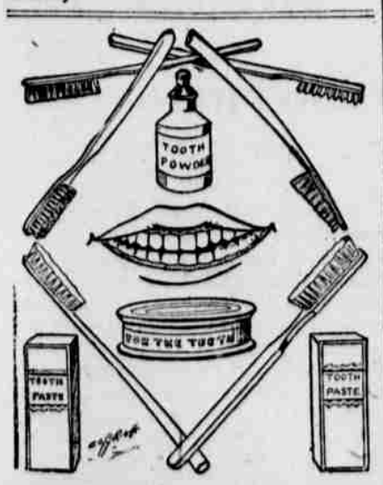
March continues to be lamb-like.

Sunday was the first day of spring, the weather was perfect.

Some people always look happiest when they have bad news to tell.

The canal boats will soon be seen again. The water was let in this week.

Work on the new Match Factory has been commenced by contractor Gorrey.



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Legal advertisements on page 7.

The home of Charles Rupert has been gladdened by the arrival of a young son.

A new whistle has been placed on the Bloomsburg Car Shops. It is very easily distinguished from the rest.

It is said that the reason prize fighters don't catch cold is because they give each other some pretty warm "raps."

The dissecting room may not be conducive to merry-making, but that is where the students always go to cut up.

One reason why the world gains knowledge so slowly is because every child must find out for itself that fire is hot.

The weight of the mails sent and received at the Bloomsburg postoffice for one week averaged 1195 pounds per day.

Humors, pimples, boils, are very annoying. They quickly disappear when the blood is purified by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

James Scarlet Esq., of Danville is the leading counsel for Rev. Dr. Swallow in the libel suits now being tried at Harrisburg.

The Columbia County Sabbath School Association will hold its annual convention at Benton, Thursday and Friday, June 3rd and 4th.

Prothonotary W. H. Henrie, moved from Catawissa to town this week, into the house owned by William Kramer, on East Street, below Third.

BASE BALL NOTES.

The Brooklyn Base ball club went south on Monday.

The Phillies' infield showed some fast work in a practice game on Saturday, making five neat double plays.

Tommy Stouch, second baseman of last year's Lancaster team, has signed with the Pawtucket Club.

Layoie, the Phillies' crack first baseman, does not seem to have forgotten how to bat. He made four safe hits out of four times at bat on Saturday.

The Fall River team this season will be composed of but eleven men, one of the pitchers being used as a right fielder.

Since Patsy Donovan has taken command of the Pittsburg Club he has disposed of three players of German extraction—Beckley, Stenzel and Bierbaur.

The report that Corcoran was to be sold by the Cincinnati Club to Philadelphia is denied by President Brush, who says he will make a sort of "terrible example" of Tommie.

Williamsport is wild with excitement over the prospects of their club this season. The rooters of that city think the "Demorest's can defeat any team in Central Pennsylvania.

PENNSYLVANIA NEWS ITEMS.

—The Superior Court will convene in Pittsburg, April 12.

—Elwood Batdorff was killed Saturday by a fall of coal at the Lytle Colliery, Minersville.

—The body of a nine-year-old girl was found in the river near Wilkes-Barre, on Saturday.

—John Duncan, of Highspire, was killed by a Pennsylvania train at Harrisburg on Saturday.

—The Warren silk mill at Fountain Hill, South Bethlehem, has started up with a large force of employees.

—Birdsboro is excited because a Reading girl refuses to desert the Salvationists and go home with her mother.

—A stray bullet crashed through a window and narrowly escaped killing Peter Hagey's family at their supper table in Reading.

—Moses Cohen, a peddler was assaulted at Wilkesbarre by four foreigners who stole his wares and the pair of pantaloons he wore.

—Miners Mills police are unable to identify the body of a man, that was found at that place last week. There are evidences of foul play.

—Schrader, or Schlatter the "divine healer," arrived on his bicycle at Altoona Tuesday, where he performed one alleged cure of total blindness.

—Well-known John Kennedy missed his way in the dark at Wilkesbarre, fell through a railway bridge into the water dragged himself to the shore and there died of shock.

—Having lost their church to the Evangelical Association recently, the United Evangelical congregation at Kleinfeltersville, Lebanon County, will build a new church.

—In connection with charges on which she was invited to leave the Lutheran church, 80-year old Mrs. Catharine Miller, of Wilkesbarre, has sued her pastor, Rev. Paul Rewalt, for $5,000 damages.

—The Grand Army Posts of Luzerne County favor the bill before the Legislature giving survivors free transportation to Chickamauga, Lookout Mountain, and Missionary Run, in order that they may assist in dedicating monuments.

—The largest herd of cattle which the law has ever ordered slaughtered in the history of the world was killed on the 22nd ultimo. They belonged to Bradford county, and were owned by Louis and John C. Piolett, the former being a member of the Legislature from Bradford County. The herd numbered one-hundred and sixty-eight cows of the finest looking Durhams, and all were pronounced afflicted with tuberculosis by the state veterinarian, and 156 of them, on being slaughtered, revealed that the diagnosis was right. The loss to the owners will be about $10,000.

The Bicycle And Its Dangers.

With the advance of spring the "bike" will be more and more in evidence. As a fashionable fad there is none to dispute its respectability; but, after all, does cycling pay? Does it tend to preserve or to restore health? Its reign has been too short to enable the medical man to answer this question decisively. But Dr. Shadwell, in the current number of *The National Review* attempts to answer it. He admits that as a form of exercise it has its value; "it is good for many people." But, he adds, "my point is that among the enormous numbers who have taken to it within the last two years there are many others for whom it is not good, but distinctly hurtful, and that in ways and for reasons which are not yet generally recognized."

Regarding those who cannot ride even a moderate distance without unpleasant or serious consequences he says:

They may not be so numerous as I suppose; but they exist, and there is nothing on the face of it to distinguish them from the rest That is where the danger lies. * * * One danger is exophthalmic goitre; * * * another is internal inflammation, of which the symptoms are much pain and a kind of chronic dysentery, extremely obstinate and of the most lowering character. The first case that I noticed was that of a lady of good constitution, active and able to hold her own at other forms, of exercise. She mastered the machine with exceptional facility, almost at the first essay, and was an easy and graceful rider. But being rather timid, she never rode more than a mile or two at a time, and that at the most moderate pace. Nevertheless, this trouble developed itself, and did not subside for months, to the great detriment of her health, which has not yet recovered.

Another danger of cycling to which Dr. Shadwell calls attention is appendicitis caused by bicycle riding. The numerous cases where the result of cycling is nervous exhaustion, headache, insomnia, lassitude, nervous depression and prostration, which are not induced by overexertion but by the effect on the nervous system, should serve as a warning, particularly to wheelwomen, to use this new means of locomotion with the extremest caution. It is not only the nerves which are affected in many cases, but a weakness of the heart's action is also a symptom, and a very serious symptom, of the effects produced by this fashionable form of exercise. Dr. Shadwell says:

These effects resemble those of overindulgence in tobacco or alcohol, and are nearly allied to that effection of nervous origin which is called sick headache. * * * The theory of overexertion is quite inadequate to explain the kind of effects here described. The true cause seems to be in the extreme instability of the two-wheeled machine, which can never be left to itself for a single moment without dismounting. In this respect bicycling differs from any other occupation whatever. The strain of attentions to it may not be very great in itself—sometimes it is, and sometimes it is not—but it never ceases; and this incessant tension is the thing which tells on the nerves. How incessant it is the demeanor of most riders declares with an emphasis which still excites ridicule, familiar as the sight has become.

The bicycle has not been long in general use—not sufficiently long, at any rate, to develop all its possibilities for good and for evil—but Dr. Shadwell's article is likely to call a halt in its indiscriminate use. He shows that bicycling is attended with serious evils, and suggests that in adopting it as a mode of rapid transit "very much greater caution is necessary than has been generally supposed."
—*Ex.*

His Experience.

It aint no sign of bravery ter abuse folks over a high fence or from 'tother side the river," said the captain, tilting the keg on which he was sitting so that his back might rest against the fish house. His companion sat by mending his nets. "Now when I was quite a lad," he went on, "I hed an experience that showed me what uncommon poor policy it is to be too funny—even at a distance."

"How was that?"

"Well, I was put in alternate cap'n on one of the steamers that runs in Frenchman's Bay, an' bein' young an' tolerable successful, I got to thinkin' I knowed pretty much the whole of it.

"One day we was layin' at the wharf loadin' the freight on, an' I see a little man walkin' up an' down, waitin' ter go aboard. He was a pompous-lookin' individual, an' follerin' an' hangin' on his words was two or three men that seemed ter consider what he said as golden speech.

"I kept thinkin' that I wished it would come time ter start when he was 'way up 'tother end of the wharf, an' sure enough, jest as he got much as a rod away it was time ter pull out.

"I pulled the whistle an' waited full time, but he turned round mighty moderate an' come toward the plank. The men commenced ter haul it on, an' we fell back from the wharf. Then he broke into a run, an' waved his hat an' shouted.

"When we was clear of everything I hollered back, "Hurry up, little chap, or you'll hev ter walk!' an' a lot of sech talk, whon I got a signal from the cap'n that was 'longside ter put back, an' findin' somethin' unusual was up, I hed to.

"The men lowered the plank, an' the little man walked on board an' come right up ter the pilot-house an' passed me his card.

"He was the owner of the whole line of steamers, an' he says, very slow an' kind, 'speakin' of walkin,' p'r'aps you'd better go ashore now, 'fore they draw the plank in. We shan't need you on this trip."

"What did you do?"

"Do? Why, I went, of course, an' my assistant run the trip. The matter was fived up, but when I make a joke now I take keer it's one that ain't coming ter roost."

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NEW YORK LETTER.

Of the many interesting facts that can be told about the old Arcade building at No. 71 Broadway, soon to be razed in favor of an up-to-date sky-scraper, the most peculiar, perhaps, is that the history of the building is familiar to fewer people than that of any other ancient landmark in the city. All Wall street, practically, passes through it six days in the week, and about all the thousands of bankers, brokers, speculators and clerks, who walk through the building on their way to and from the financial district, can tell you about it is that Russell Sage has his office there, and not a few years ago the famous bomb explosion occurred. The two most noted characters who have occupied offices in the Arcade are Russell Sage and Jay Gould. Mr. Sage, when he leaves for his new quarters in the Bank of Commerce building next month, will have been a tenant for more than 15 years. Mr. Sage was the originator of a line of business which grew to great proportions in Wall street. He instituted the "privilege

RUSSELL SAGE.

system," by which brokers and traders in securities who had small means were enabled to test their judgment by large operations, and at the same time protect themselves from heavy loss. He sold "puts" and "calls," "spreads" and "straddles," with the result that dealings on the Stock Exchange greatly increased. As is frequently the case, the inventor profits little, and Mr. Sage lost several millions of dollars in the privilege business, and that, too, in a half week. It was toward the end of May, 1894. Mr. Sage had sold puts upon thousands and thousands of shares of stock. The market suddenly became weak, prices dropped away, and a panic was threatened.

It should be borne in mind that "privileges" are contracts not enforceable by law. It is also borne in mind now that Russell Sage never went back on his word. For three days he sat with pen in hand and, amidst the excitement, when over 200 brokers were clamoring to get into his presence, signed check after check upon the Importers' and Traders' Bank, until he had used up several books and had seen, so it was estimated at the time, $4,000,000 of his fortune melt away like snowflakes in the sun.

It was on December 4, 1891, a Friday, and, to be exact, 12:30 o'clock, for Secretary Menzie's watch stopped at that moment, when the crank, Norcross, who wanted over $1,000,000 of Mr. Sage's money, threw the bomb that killed himself and injured Mr. Sage and others and blew the office into kindling wood. That event was of too recent date to need a reminder of the details and the discovery of the would-be assassin through the medium of a clothes button which was picked up in the building. Everybody in the building was shaken up and scared out of considerable growth.

When some outside barbarian accuses New Yorkers of lack of civic pride, the loyal Gothamite usually points to Madison Square Garden and the Metropolitan Opera House as evidence to the contrary. "Here," he has been wont to explain with true Knickerbocker pride, "are two magnificent monuments to public spirit. Both these splendid structures have been built and maintained at a loss by men who dedicated them to the service and amusement of their fellow-citizens." But there is a limit to good nature. The stockholders of the Madison Square Garden Company think that they are satisfied with the experience they have gained, and are quite willing now to have someone else shoulder the load. So they decided. Any enterprising agriculturist who wishes to try his hand at this sort of gardening can get the site at a bargain, and have the famous bronze Diana, that moves with every wind on the latest style of ball-bearing axis, thrown in. The Garden was evolved out of the old Harlem Railroad depot, and assumed its present shape in 1890. It is the largest building in the country entirely devoted to purposes of amusement. The arena holds 11,000 people, the theatre 1,200 and the assembly hall 1,200 more. It has been the scene of many notable events, social, political and sporting. The hope is that some multi-millionaire, or a syndicate of them, may come forward and buy in the building, and either continue it in its present form, or remodel it, so that, while preserving its essential features, additions may be made that will render the property, in a measure, a profitable investment.

CYRUS THORP.

Good Place for Cats.

There is a special cat church in Florence, the church in which so many Medici are buried. The cloisters of San Lorenzo are reserved for homeless cats, whether they come there by themselves or are brought by people who want to dispose of them.—New York Journal.

TAMMANY IN SADDLE.

HOPES TO RECOVER NEW YORK FROM THE REFORMERS.

The Tiger is Versatile, and Among Other Things Expects a Reaction to Set in in Its Favor as it Did in 1894—Wheels Within Wheels.

It has been noted that Tammany, with characteristic energy, has already begun its campaign for the Mayorality of Greater New York, and is unfolding a plan of attack on the Reformers, who hope for four years more to keep control of the city rescued from Tammany three years ago.

The organization has entered upon the campaign with almost as much confidence in victory as it felt in 1892, when it had no opposition except the feeble fight put up by the debilitated Republican machine. It is of interest to understand upon what this confidence is based. It is based upon the belief that a "reaction" is due. Signs of this reaction have been shown in the town elections throughout the state. It is almost impossible to beat Tammany twice in succession. Even after its crushing defeat in 1894, Tammany won in the local election the following year; and last November, in spite of the big Sound Money Democratic revolt, it rolled up 135,000 votes for Bryan. It has always been difficult to arouse the citizens of New York to a supreme effort for reform city administration, and after having aroused them once, it seems impossible to get them to make another such effort in the next Mayoralty election. It is true that the recently organized "Citizen's Union" exhibits a gratifying determination on the part of the Municipal Reformers to make an early start this year, but there are special reasons, to be explained, why Tammany believes this movement will not have the force and momentum of the Committee of Seventy campaign of 1894. In other words, its leaders believe that the political pendulum is swinging its way this year, and that it will reap the benefit of all the discontent, the various petty hardships, and the personal disappointments resulting from the Strong Administration. In a local election few people have the courage and public spirit to rise superior to their private interests. Even though the administration, as a whole, may have benefited the city, if it has hurt any personal interest, that personal interest will work and vote against it, independent of any other consideration. And the Strong Administration has tread upon the toes of many small personal interests, which, in the aggregate, represent a small army of discontent and enmity. If there is any one achievement of the administration which may be called, without exception, signally successful, it has been in the cleaning of streets. In fact, even if Tammany elects the next Mayor, it will either retain Colonel Waring in office or maintain his methods. But, nevertheless, Colonel Waring has undoubtedly lost many votes for reform at the coming election. Every grocer, baker and small merchant who formerly stabled his truck in the street, but who has been obliged by Colonel Waring to store it elsewhere in order to clear the streets of encumbrances, will probably vote against "reform," and their name is legion. The city as a whole is benefited by this change worked by the Commissioner, but thousands of small merchants are suffering in pocket because they can no longer use the streets as storage places for their private property. In some of the other departments it must be confessed that reform has been a failure. There have been scandals in the Fire Department, and the condition of things in the Police Department is such that even Mayor Strong himself says that is "a shame and a disgrace." Moreover, the Strong Administration has resulted in an increase in taxes, with no decrease in rate of property assessments. As Strong is a Republican, such acts of the Republican party in the state as have caused discontent and injury will be used by Tammany to its advantage in a fight against any combination that may be formed against it in the city election. Thus, every person who has been injured by the Raines law, it is claimed, will vote for Tammany. Moreover, there are a number of leading men who have taken part in the non-partisan or bi-partisan movements for municipal reform who are beginning to be convinced that after all that has been said or done, there can be no really effective city government except through parties, and that non-partisanship is a dream. Ex-Mayor Grace, who aided materially in electing Strong, has expressed himself plainly to this effect. It is significant in this connection that the new charter has been drafted on the principle of party government. It may be asked why, if there is any basis of reality in Tammany's confidence of victory in the Greater New York election, Senator Platt should be so determined to create the Greater New York. Some of the Republicans up the state have been asking this question, and doubting the wisdom of passing the charter. But Senator Platt may hold to Edward Lauterbach's expressed view that the reaction against "reform" in municipal government will not set in favor of Tammany, but in favor of the Republican machine organization. Besides, the charter has been so constructed that even if Tammany should elect its candidate for Mayor, the Republicans would be pretty certain to obtain an important minority representation in the Municipal Assembly and perhaps control of one or two of the boroughs.—Philadelphia Ledger.

CHILD STUDY.

CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK.

On a wet rainy day not long ago, in a town not far from here, a little eight-year-old boy was found sitting on a door-step during school hours. He was poorly and thinly clad. Investigation showed he was one of four young motherless children. His father was gone all day at his work; but evenings baked bread, and performed other necessary household duties. It seems that that child had been sent home from school *to get a shoestring*. There was no way of getting it before night and so the child had to wait. Had *his* teacher studied the child's home conditions? Certainly not, if the case has been correctly represented to me. What right even had she to banish the child while she knew nothing either of conditions or possibilities? This is, of course, an exaggerated case, but our school life is very dependent on two things, ideas and habits. Young children get both largely from their home environment. The incident referred to shows how completely this was overlooked by the teacher. Shall we ignore those conditions as revealed by the home or shall we make a definite and careful study of them for the light thrown on the child's stock of habits and ideas? I have no doubt of your answer. Many an inexplicable psychological problem has found its simple solution in the home environment of the child. And how study this? Each case according to its peculiarities. Have they books, or no books? Are their parents living or not living? Do they play with older or younger children than themselves? Are they rich or poor; petted or unnoticed? All of these and a hundred other things should certainly be known by each teacher if she is to do her best for her pupils.

It has been found to be of the greatest value to study the child's home surroundings as regards books in some *detail*. In my opinion a period a week may well be spent in discussing what the children are reading outside of school and in directing the same.

Here is a child that does not enunciate properly. We must examine the home conditions. We may learn that the child is of foreign parentage or that he has been petted and thus fallen into bad habits. Much more attention should be given to such a child than the one whose environment is more favorable. You may not always be thanked for your attempt to break up the baby-talk even of a ten-year-old child, but the effort is a worthy one and remonstrances will not be numerous. In one case, in a school of this state, the attempt was met by the mother's objection that she did not wish the child made self-conscious.

In a case of bad enunciation we have this duty before us. We should pick out a list of words covering almost all the sounds and common combinations of them in our language. We should then ask the child to repeat after us each one of these. Check off those the child mispronounces and then begin systematic work in teaching correct and clear enunciation. A little girl whom I tested in this way could not pronounce the combination a-r in the first ten or twelve words I gave her. At last I found one where she pronounced it correctly and then only by the most careful work could I get her so that she could pronounce it correctly in the other words. Nothing could be done for the child except by careful study of her by herself individually.

There are in the ordinary schoolroom certain seats which subject the occupants to peculiar physical discomforts. Such are seats near the stove or radiator or in draughts of either hot or cold air or where the light is peculiar. The bodily effects of fatigue caused perhaps by too many home duties or duties of other kinds before school or late at night may be the secret of our inability to reach some children. That we should study to counteract or remove these unfortunate physical conditions is a truism. And yet are we *doing* it?

The scientific study of fatigue has produced a slight reaction against that line of investigation and has caused the remark that "both we and the children *have* to get tired sometimes." True as it is we know perfectly well that we should find out what children *tire* most easily and if possible the reason. It may be the first sign of some insidious disease. We know, too, that the clearness of the ideas given is very dependent on the child's condition of fatigue and, moreover, that it is possible for us so to vary our work as to reduce that to a minimum and so produce the most favorable conditions for clear thinking.

The best test for fatigue that I know and one which is also valuable as a test for *nervousness* is the simple command to the children to rise and stretch out their arms and hands at full length in the same plane as the body and as high as the shoulder. Notice the quivering or twitching fingers and you have an indication as to the fatigued or nervous children of your class, though there may be some few whom you have not discovered. Try them before and after school and see if you can trace any effect of the day's work upon them. I have noticed even a decided difference between tests made before and after a single severe mental exercise.

"THE LITTLE WOODEN HOUSE."

McKinley's Home in Canton Will Be Kept in Good Condition.

The thousands of pilgrims who visited Canton during the past ten months will have a lasting interest in the home of the Republican candidate and its future. They will be interested to know that "the little wooden house" on McKinley hill is to pass from its present occupant into good hands.

The home is owned by Mrs. George H. Harter, from whom Major McKinley leased it last spring, and it will pass into the hands of Captain Kuhn of the Hurford House, which in itself has attained a national reputation during the campaign. Captain Kuhn has been a near neighbor and ardent admirer of Major McKinley for many years. His father, who is now a resident of Washington city, but came out to Canton to vote for Major McKinley last fall, has voted for Major McKinley for every office he ever held from the time he was elected prosecutor of Stark county in 1869, during the 14 years he represented the Canton district in congress, both his terms in the governorship and finally for president of the United States.

Captain Kuhn therefore has a peculiar personal interest in "the little wooden house."

To thousands of persons who have trooped in and out of the Hurford House it will be a pleasure to know that the ambitious young hotel manager is to live for the next year at least in the McKinley home and that so far as possible its memories will be sacredly treasured by its new occupant.—*Cleveland Plain Dealer*.

"Not Exactly Right."

Thousands of people are in this condition. They are not sick and yet they are by no means well. A single bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla would do them a world of good. It would tone the stomach, create an appetite, purify and enrich the blood and give wonderful vigor and vitality. Now is the time to take it.

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CHURCH AND STATE.

Mr. Howard Evans gives, in the "Contemporary Review," some of the religious statistics of England and Wales. Reckoning the population at 30,000,000, he deducts 2,000,000 for Roman Catholics, Jews and others who are not included among the Protestant Christians, leaving 28,000,000 who may be roughly said to be divided between the Church of England and the Nonconformist denominations. With these figures of to-day are given the figures of former years, but not to the extent which might be desired.

In 1801 the Church of England provided 4,289,883 sittings, and all other denominations 881,240 sittings. In 1851 the Church of England provided 5,317,915 sittings, and all other denominations 4,894,648. In 1896 the Church of England provided 6,718,288 and ten Protestant denominations 7,610,003. It is probable that in 1801 and in 1851 the members of these several bodies hold about the same proportion as now to the number of sittings. At the present time it is estimated that the Church of England has 1,778,351 communicants and the leading Nonconformist denominations 1,807,723; of Sunday school teachers the Church of England has 200,596, all other denominations 373,685; of Sunday school scholars the Church of England has 2,229,813, other denominations 3,103,285.

These figures are of special moment as indicating the influence of establishment upon the denomination established; the figures are of special significance when they are compared with similar statistics which might be gathered in this country. The Episcopal Church in America, unhindered by any alliance with the State, advanced within the last half century probably with greater rapidity than almost any other Protestant denomination in the number of its Churches, of its bishops, of its clergy, of its communicants, of its hospitals, orphanages, colleges, theological seminaries, in its missions at home and abroad and in the moneys raised for denominational objects, while in England its absolute growth has been very slight, and, in proportion to other denominations, it has lost ground.

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BASE BALL NOTES.

The Phillies are down south limbering up and getting in trim for the opening of the season which will occur April 16.

The game is bound to have a great financial year in 1897. Nearly every city is making great preparations, and all are expecting bigger crowds than former years have ever known.

Louisville will make a better showing this season, and it is hardly likely that the close of the year will find them in their accustomed last position.

The Phillies new pitcher Fifield, showed up in good form in the first game, which was played down South last week, he held this opponents down to 8 hits.

"Success is the reward of merit" not of assumption. Popular appreciation is what tells in the long run. For fifty years, people have been using Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and to-day it is the blood-purifier most in favor with the public. Ayer's Sarsaparilla cures.

There is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over ¼ as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15cts. and 25cts. pe dackage. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O

Send for a copy of Tasker's Beautiful Song "Gone Forever". The very latest. Pronounced by critics to be the prettiest song ever written. Price 40 cts. At music stores, or sent upon receipt of price by David J. Tasker, Bloomsburg, Pa. tf.

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THEATRICAL GOSSIP.

AN AMERICAN GIRL WHO IS DOING THE CLASSICAL IN MUSIC.

Spiritisime, Sardou's New Play, is Like His Other Pieces—The Plot is Old and Threadbare from Frequent Use.—Spiritualistic Situations.

It is no longer a disputed fact that American composers are coming rapidly to the front, not only men, but women as well. Miss Marie Von Hammer though yet only a young woman in her twenties, has achieved as great a success with her musical compositions as many of her older and more experienced contemporaries.

An American girl, she always preserved the patriotic spirit, received her musical instruction in America, and now aspires to take her place in the foremost ranks of conscientious and painstaking American composers. It was only a few years ago, after the completion of thorough musical training and travel in musical centres of Europe, that she discovered she possessed the marked talents of a musical composer, and thenceforth devoted all her time to this art. She has composed music of the higher class, that of the classical schools, as nothing light or sensationally popular has ever come from her pen, and to-day the musicians of New York, among whom is the great conductor, Anton Seidl, pronounce her work as that of a genius whose efforts will live.

MARIE VON HAMMER.

Spiritisime is the name of the latest job from the Sardou workshop, for which a great deal has been promised in the line of novelty. Reading the story, however, one fails to find much departure from the general lines followed in Fedora, La Tosca, Gismonda, and the others. The inevitable Sardou woman, her soul seared with passion, and her heart torn by contending emotions, is the central figure of all of them. Sometimes she is Russian, sometimes of other nationality. In Spiritisme she is French, rich, beautiful, and with unlimited capacity for wild passion. Her name is "Simone." She is the wife of an old man whose life is devoted to occult philosophy and investigation of the unknown. The first act contains a good deal of commonplace spiritualistic lore. It is observed, however, that "Simone" is intriguing with a lover, "Manuel" by name, whose intentions are to compromise "Simone" so that she may be divorced and compelled to marry him, in which case he will assume command over her fortune. The opportunity presents itself. "Simone" is about to spend a few days with a countess of her acquaintance. "Manuel" accompanies the pair to the station, covers "Simone's" face with a thick veil and takes her with him to his own apartments, while the Countess awaits her. "Simone" holds back, but the prosing of a pure-minded friend so irritates her that she decides to go.

The next act shows the apartments of "Manuel." "Manuel" bids "Simone" fly with him, and so the dialogue goes on until suddenly the news of an accident at the station is brought in. Footsteps are on the stairs, and "Simone" escapes just in time to avoid meeting her husband. He is scarred and burned with long searchings in the debris of the wrecked train, in which "Simone" is supposed to have departed.

After a little discussion the husband departs, only to learn that the body of his wife has been identified by means of her jewels, but is otherwise unrecognizable. The situation is ingenious. "Simone" comes out from her hiding place at the bidding of the pure-minded friend, and discovers that she is, to all intents and purposes, dead. Now she is free to fly with her lover, but curiously enough "Manuel's" passion has cooled, now that she is no longer the wealthy "Simone." She, however, has by this time recognized the value of her husband's love and the baseness of the man who would betray her. She can not bring herself to go back to her home, nor can she fly with the unwilling "Manuel;" accordingly she solved the difficulty by going away by herself.

In the last act the powers of spiritualism are once more called into play in order to bring the husband and wife together. By the kind offices of the incorrigible ami des femmes a plan is arranged by which she may explain her absence from the fire and get his forgiveness. The spiritualistic husband is induced to believe that his wife is to be manifested to him at his special request; the shades of the departed are invoked and "Simone" appears. She confesses everything to the poor man, who, thinking that he is in the presence of the departed, can not withhold his pardon; nor when the spirit becomes flesh in his arms has he the hardihood to cast her away, so that the end is peace. ROSE FANCHON.

Tour to California via Pennsylvania Railroad.

In Southern California is found the realization of a dream of the ancient. Here are the "Golden Apples of the Hesperides," ripening beneath a sky more beautiful than that of Rome, and in a climate more perfect than that of Athens. Never in the wildest flights of his imagination did either Homer or Hesiod ever conceive of a garden richer in verdant beauty, more productive of luscious fruit, or set amid more picturesque and lovely surroundings. Here the rose entwines the orange, and the snow-mantled peaks of the Sierras reflect the golden glow of the evening twilight.

The last of the Pennsylvania Railroad tours to California will leave New York and Philadelphia March 27, stopping at Chicago, Omaha, Denver, Colorado Springs and the "Garden of the Gods," and Salt Lake City. Tourists will travel by special train of Pullman palace cars going, and return on regular trains via any route within nine months. Regular one-way or round trip tickets will be issued for this tour in connection with a special ticket covering Pullman accommodations, meals, and other tour features going. The latter ticket will be sold at the following rates: From New York, Philadelphia, Harrisburg, or Altoona, $60.00; Pittsburg, $58.00.

Apply to ticket agents, Tourist Agent, 1196 Broadway, New York, or Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia, stating return route desired. 3-4-4t.

A GOD SENT BLESSING.—Mr. B. F. Wood, of Easton, Pa., was a great sufferer from Organic Heart Disease. He never expected to be well again, but Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart was his good angel and he lives today to tell it to others, hear him: "I was for fifteen years a great sufferer from heart disease had smothering spells, palpitation, pain in left side, and swelled ankles. Twenty physicians treated me, but I got no relief. I used Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart. One dose relieved me inside of thirty minutes. Seven bottles cured me." Sold by C. A. Kleim.

LITERARY NOTES.

THE PRESIDENT'S SOCIAL LIFE.

Ex-President Harrison, whose articles in *The Ladies' Home Journal* are creating such widespread interest, will write about "The Social Life of the President," in the April issue of that magazine. The ex-President will tell of the dinners, receptions, etc., that are given by the Chief Executive, and detail the great social demands made upon him. He also gives a peep into the White House dining-room and silver-closet, and notes the beauty of the service used for State dinners, which was bought at second hand. It is said that he also pays heed to the oft-repeated question, "How much of his salary can a President lay aside?"

SANKEY'S NEW SACRED SONG.

Evangelist Ira D. Sankey, the singer and composer, has written a new sacred song for the April *Ladies' Home Journal*. He has given it the title of "The Beautiful Hills," and considers it superior to his famous "Ninety and Nine." Mr. Sankey wrote it with the especial view of its appropriateness for outdoor choral singing—for campmeetings and other religious and semi-religious gatherings.

NEW SHORT STORY BY JEROME.

Jerome K. Jerome's new short story has been secured by *The Ladies' Home Journal* for publication in the April issue. It is reputed to be in some respects a variation from Mr. Jerome's usual style, and also to be one of the brightest and best of the many excellent short stories that have come from his pen. He calls his new story "A Portrait of a Lady," and it will be illustrated by W. T. Smedley.

Women and Opera Glasses.

Two women drop in at the matinee. Coming in that way they are without glasses.

"Shall we take one of these theater glasses, dear?"

Yes; drop a dime in and the thing opens. Have you the change?"

"No, I only have five cents."

"Well, I have five—that makes it."

Then the two dear creatures drop two five-cent pieces into the slot, and when it does not work are amazed and indignant. Usher is summoned, who vainly tries to explain, and there is a pretty exciting time until the man drops in a ten-cent piece from his own pocket and procures for them the glasses. I believe, however, that to this day they have an idea that there is some sort of swindling in this odd little apparatus attached to theater chairs.

With but little care and no trouble, the beard and mustache can be kept a uniform brown or black color by using Buckingham's Dye for the Whiskers.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

In the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, Pa. Estate of Hannah J. Chamberlin, late of said county, deceased.

The undersigned auditor, appointed by said court to make distribution of the balance remaining in the hands of the administrator of said estate, hereby gives notice that he will meet all parties interested for the purposes of his appointment at his office in Bloomsburg, Penna., on Tuesday, March 30, A. D. 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where said parties are requested to prove their claims or be debarred from participating in the distribution of said fund.

G. M. QUICK, Auditor.

3-4-ta.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Caleb Barton, late of the town of Bloomsburg, deceased.

The undersigned auditor, appointed by the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, will sit at his office in Bloomsburg, on Saturday, April 3rd, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., to distribute balance in the hands of Dr. H. W. McReynolds and Thomas J. Barton, executors, as per first and partial account, when and where all persons having claims against said estate must appear and prove the same or be debarred from coming in on said fund.

GRANT HERRING, Auditor.

3-4-ta.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Mordecai Millard, late of Centre township, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Mordecai Millard, late of Centre township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrators, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to

E. S. MILLARD, J. E. CREASY, Administrators.

3-4-6t.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Clinton W. Lewis, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned appointed auditor to pass upon exceptions to the account and to make distribution of the funds in the hands of the administrator in the estate of Clinton W. Lewis, deceased, to and among the parties entitled thereto, will sit at his office in Bloomsburg, on Monday, April 5th, 1897, at ten o'clock a. m., for the purpose of his appointment, when and where all persons interested in said estate will appear and present their claims or be forever thereafter debarred from coming in for a share of said funds.

H. A. M'KILLIP, Auditor.

3-11-ta.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of William Wright, deceased.

The undersigned auditor appointed by the Orphan's Court of Columbia county to distribute the sum in the hands of the Trustee to the persons entitled to the same, in the matter of the estate of William Wright, deceased, will meet the parties interested for the performance of his duties at his office in the town of Bloomsburg, on Saturday 3rd day of April, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where all persons are required to present their claims before such auditor, or be debarred from coming in for a share of the assets or fund.

Mar. 11th, 1897. CHARLES G. BARKLEY, Auditor.

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RECEIVER'S ACCOUNT.

In the matter of the Receiver of the Bloomsburg Banking Co.	In the Court of Common Pleas of the county of Columbia. In Equity. No. 3, Feb. T., 1897.

Now March 1, 1897, B. F. Zarr, the Receiver appointed by said Court, having this day presented in Court his first account and report as such receiver:—It is ordered that said account and report be filed, and that notice of the filing be given by the Prothonotary for three weeks by advertisement in the COLUMBIAN and the *Republican*; and that a distribution statement be made under the direction of the receiver, showing the *pro rata* application of the balance of moneys shown by said account and report to the creditors of the Bloomsburg Banking Company, which distribution statement shall be filed in the office of the Prothonotary on or before the 29th day of March, 1897; and unless exceptions be filed to said account and report before the first Monday of April, 1897, the said account and report will be confirmed by the Court; and also unless exceptions be filed to said distribution statement before the first Monday of April, 1897, the same will be confirmed, and decree made by the Court for the payment of the moneys in accordance therewith.

Advertisement to be by publication of this order. BY THE COURT.

Certified from the records this 3rd day of March, 1897. W. H. HENRIE, Prothonotary.

3-1-3t.

PARTITION NOTICE.

In the matter of the partition of the estate of James Johnson, deceased.

To William Johnson, Jerseytown, Columbia County, Pa.; Richard Johnson, Millville, Columbia County, Pa.; Silas Johnson, Hughesburg, Pa.; John Johnson, Watsontown, Pa.; Jane Johnson intermarried with Jonty Craig, Opps P. O., Lycoming County, Pa.; Alice Johnson intermarried with George Hare, Strawberry Ridge, Pa.; and the following grand-children of Henry Johnson, deceased, who was a son of James Johnson, deceased, viz.: George Johnson, Mooresburg, Pa.; John Johnson, ——; Regina Johnson intermarried with —— Mills, Danville, Pa.

You are hereby notified that in pursuance of an order of Orphans' Court of Columbia County, a writ of partition has issued from said Court to the Sheriff of said County, returnable the first Monday of May, A. D. 1897, and that the inquest will meet for the purpose of making partition of the real estate of said decedent on Monday, the 12th day of April, A. D. 1897, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 4 P. M., on the premises of James Johnson, deceased, in Madison township, Columbia County, Pa., at which time and place you can attend if you see proper.

SNYDER, Atty. J. B. McHENRY, Sheriff.

3-18-1t.

ORPHANS' COURT SALE

—OF VALUABLE—

REAL ESTATE.

In pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, Pa., the undersigned executor of last will and testament of George Bower, late of Briarcreek township in the said county deceased, will sell at public sale on the premises on

THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 1897,

at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day, the following described real estate, to-wit:

No. 1. A tract of land situate in Briarcreek township, Columbia county, Pa, adjoining lands of David Kisner, David Shaffer, James Evans and others, containing

THIRTY ACRES,

and fourteen perches.

No. 2. All the right, title and interest of the said decedent in the undivided one-half of a tract of land situate in said Briarcreek township, in said county, adjoining lands of William Yohe, William Girton, Henry Martz, Ephraim Evans and others, containing 18 acres, more or less, whereon are erected a frame

DWELLING HOUSE,

barn, and out-buildings.

No. 3. All the right, title and interest of the said decedent in the undivided one-half of a tract of land situate in said township of Briarcreek, in said county, adjoining lands of William Evans, James, Lemons, John Fester and John Doak, containing

20 ACRES,

more or less.

TERMS OF SALE. Ten per cent. of the purchase money to be paid at the striking down of the property, fifteen per cent. at the confirmation of sale, and the remaining three-fourths in one year from said sale, together with interest thereon from confirmation nisi. Purchaser to pay for deed. Purchaser will be required to give bond with good and approved security for the faithful payment of the purchase money according to the above conditions.

JAMES BOWER, Executor,

Zarr & Freeze, att'ys.

3-18-'97-ts.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Christopher Kuster, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned auditor, appointed to distribute the funds in the hands of the administrator of the estate of Christopher Kuster, deceased, to and among the parties entitled thereto, will sit at his office in Bloomsburg, on Saturday, April 10th, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the performance of the duties of his appointment, when and where all parties having claims against said estate will present them for settlement properly authenticated or be forever debarred from coming in for a share of said fund.

H. A. M'KILLIP Auditor.

3-11-ta.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

In the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, Pa. Estate of Andrew Fowler, late of said county, deceased.

The undersigned auditor, appointed by said court to pass upon exception and make distribution of the balance remaining in the hands of the executor of the said estate, hereby gives notice that he will meet all parties interested, for the purposes of his appointment at the office of C. B. Jackson Esq., in the borough of Berwick, Penna., on Monday, March 29th, A. D. 1897, at 9 o'clock a. m., when and where said parties are required to prove their claims or be debarred from participating in the distribution of said fund.

G. M. QUICK, Auditor.

3-it-a.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Elias George, deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed auditor to distribute the fund in the hands of the accountant in the estate of Elias George deceased to and among the parties entitled thereto; will attend at his office on Centre Street, Bloomsburg, Pa., on Monday the 29th day of March, A. D., 1897, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, for the performance of his duties as such auditor; when and where all persons having claims must present them duly authenticated for allowance, or be forever debarred from coming in on said fund.

3-4 3t. *JOHN G. FREEZE, March 1, 1897. Auditor.*

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

In the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, Pa. Estate of Benaga Parker, late of said county, deceased.

The undersigned auditor, appointed by said Court to make distribution of the balance remaining in the hands of the executor of said estate, hereby gives notice that he will meet all parties interested, for the purposes of his appointment at the office of L. S. Winterstein, Esq., in the town of Bloomsburg, Penna., on Friday, April 16th, A. D. 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where said parties are required to prove their claims or be debarred from participating in the distribution of said fund.

G. M. QUICK, Auditor.

3-18-4t.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Daniel Mericle late of Hemlock Township, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration upon the estate of the said decedent have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will make them known without delay to

THEODORE MERICLE, Administrator. Bloomsburg, Pa.

FREEZE & HARMAN, Atty's. 3-4-6t.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of writs of Fieri Facias, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, state of Pennsylvania, and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg, county and state aforesaid, on

SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 1897,

at two o'clock p. m., the following real estate:

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate in the town of Bloomsburg aforesaid, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the southeast corner of Fifth and Leonard streets; thence along south side of Fifth street north sixty-four degrees, thirty minutes east four hundred forty-nine and one-tenth feet to a stake on land of R. & B. R. R.; thence along same south twenty-six degrees fifty minutes east, three hundred ninety-five feet to north side of Sixth street; thence along same south sixty-four degrees, thirty minutes west, four hundred seventy-three and five-tenth feet to east side of Leonard street; thence along same north twenty-four degrees, west three hundred ninety-five feet to Fifth street, the place of beginning, containing four and eighteen-hundredth acres, whereon are erected a four-story brick

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a three-story brick engine, boiler and drying house, a large two-story brick weaving shed and a one story brick color shop for manufacture of tapestry carpets, a

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for the spinning of yarn, barn and outbuildings. Seized, taken into execution at the suits of C. C. Peacock, trustee, and James Magee 2nd, trustee, vs. the Magee Carpet Works, and to be sold as the property of the Magee Carpet Works.

J. B. McHENRY, Sheriff.

C. W. MILLER, Atty.

3-4-ts.

ADMINISTRATORS' SALE

—OF VALUABLE—

REAL ESTATE.

Pursuant to an order of the Orphan's Court of Columbia county, the undersigned administrators of William H. Yorgey deceased, will expose to sale the following described real estate.

A FARM OF 40 ACRES,

more or less, situated in Cleveland township, said county, two and one-half miles east of Bear Gap, on which is erected a large stable and ground cellar. Bounded and described as follows:

No. 1.—On east by lands of Adam Dimick; on the north by land of Mrs. Lucas and Phoenis Thomas; on the west by lands of Elijah Thomas; on the south by Public Road and lands of Samuel Miller; containing forty acres more or less.

Good spring of water on the premises. Also a large, fine

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ALSO:—Five acres of chestnut and rock oak timber in Cleveland township, bounded and described as follows:

No. 2.—On the east by lands of Samuel Miller; on the west by lands of the same; on the north by lands of Brit Bodine; on the south by lands of John Kline. Said tract being situated along the foot of "Little Mountain."

Sale to be held on the premises on

SATURDAY, MARCH. 27th, 1897,

at ten o'clock a. m. Conditions made known on day of sale.

H. M. YOCUM, JOHN BROPHY, Administrators.

IKELER & IKELER, Attorneys. 3-1-ts.

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BLOOMSBURG, PA.

Democratic Committee Call.

The members of the Democratic County Committee of the County of Columbia are hereby notified to meet in the Court House at Bloomsburg Saturday March 27th at 2 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of electing a chairman and secretary and five persons as delegates to the State Convention.

C. A. SMALL, Sec. WM CHRISMAN, Chairman.

SALES.

James Bower, Executor of the estate of George Bower, deceased, will sell real estate on the premises in Briarcreek township, on Thursday, April 15, 1897, at two o'clock, P. M.

FOR SALE. A good slate blackboard about 10 feet by 3 feet, suitable for school, will be sold cheap. Apply to Geo. E. Elwell, Bloomsburg, Pa. tf.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

EAST BENTON.

J. F. Ashelman who moved to Bloomsburg about the first of last April into one of Correll's houses, and in the first part of last January moved to Wilkesbarre, has at present a very afflicted family. All the children, five in number including Mrs. Ashelman are all down with the measles. The two eldest children, Ladora and Johnny are at this writing in a critical condition with pneumonia.

Last Saturday afternoon the harbinger of electric storms made its appearance with several thunder showers passing over this place.

Isaac P. Belles, of this township, died last Saturday and was buried in the Ravencreek cemetery last Monday afternoon. He was aged about forty-five years. A widow and three children, two daughters and a son survive to mourn their loss. I. P. Belles belonged to a family of eleven children, only three of whom, and the father, Mr. Thomas Belles survive; the latter of whom was born March 27th 1818.

On our trip to Wilkesbarre and back last Thursday and Friday we have no recollection of ever driving harder roads. Mud, mud, mud.

Hon. James McHenry of Cambra, is, and has been for a long time in a critical condition. He has been a victim for many years of lagrippe, and unless warm weather will recuperate his health, his present illness may prove fatal. He has been for many years the leading merchant of Cambra, and is a man of temperate habits. He is a man of more than ordinary intelligence and has always been very much interested in the political movements and changes of parties in our Government. He was a victim of Fort Mifflin and always a staunch democrat.

A Peculiar Kind of Headache.

This distressing condition of pain in megrim is most invariably confined to one side of the head and is distinctly localized in the frontal (above the eyes), temporal or occipal (above the nape of the neck) region. There is perhaps no form of pain more frequently encountered by the physician in his round of labor. It is an affection common in all climes, and neither height, depth nor atmospheric conditions confer immunity from the attack to those who are predisposed to it.

The fresh, cool fragrance upon the mountain top, the peaceful hush in the valley and the foam of the mad sea offer life giving and renewing properties sufficient to calm the most painful throes, but megrim never yields nor is held back by such as these. It is hereditary. It commonly shows itself the thirtieth year of age and subsides in later life.

Digestive disturbances were commonly supposed to be the causes which excited the attack. So, too, nervous exhaustion and nervous irritation were believed to be active factors in precipitating an attack. The best medical authorities now say the chief and most frequent cause of megrim is an abnormal condition of the eye or its appendages.—*Philadelphia Record.*

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Every school in this section should take pride in aiding Centralia to win such a grand prize. The High School at that place, under the efficient superintendency of J. H. Eisenhower, is a model in many respects and a first-class library would add greatly to the present meager equipment in that respect. Centralia's cause should be made the cause of the region.

No other school in this county has entered the contest, and hence there is no competition here. On Tuesday Centralia held sixth place. On Wednesday it stood fourth, having made a gain of about 6000 votes. If all persons who take the *Times* will cut out the coupons and leave them at this office we will forward them, and the donors will receive proper credit. Those who have helped thus far are THE COLUMBIAN, C. P. Elwell, R. W. Jacobs, F. E. Miller, D. Tasker. If the buyers of the Sunday *Times* will leave their coupons with R. W. Jacobs each Sunday it will be appreciated by the Centralia High School. Coupons more than seven days old cannot be voted. Cut out both coupons in each paper.

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There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists price fifty cents and one dollar. For a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail, mention THE COLUMBIAN and send your full post-office address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

For Sale.

Two Beautiful farms for sale or in exchange for town property—one farm is located 3 miles North of Millville, on the road from Iola to Pine Summit—and new Bank Barn on it, and farm No. 2 is located up fishing creek. For particulars inquire of S. D. Neyhard, office First National Bank Building, Bloomsburg, Pa. 3 18 2m.

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HARRISBURG LETTER.

Measures Which Have Passed Both Houses.

FIGHT AGAINST THE POOL BILL.

Should It Pass the Senate It Will Probably Meet Death in the House—Some of the New Measures Introduced—A Record Breaking Session Probable.

(Special Correspondence.)

Harrisburg, March 23.—The record of the legislature at this period of the session is 743 bills introduced in both houses and 284 petitions presented praying for all sorts of legislation. Of the bills introduced into the house 289 are out of committee and on the calendar, and 209 bills have reached the governor, and three of the house bills have been signed by him and become a law. One of these is known as house bill No. 12, which provides for the classification of real estate and other property for purposes of taxation and election of assessors in cities of second class for not more than five nor less than three assessors; also house bill No. 4, providing for the election of prothonotaries, recorders and registers and the manner of filling such offices in case of death or vacancy, and house bill No. 20, authorizing the burgess and town council of the borough of Sharpsburg, Allegheny county, to levy a tax not exceeding 15 mills on the dollar on the assessed county valuation for the year. Among those now in the hands of the governor which have not been approved, as they but recently came into his hands, is an act authorizing the courts of quarter sessions to declare the seats of councilmen vacant when they fail to organize for ten days. A number of bills which have passed the house and senate have been sent to the governor this week.

There has been very considerable work done during the past week, and the majority of the bills on the calendar have been disposed of on second and third reading, and with the same industry expended during this week they will have a number of bills ready for the governor's consideration.

Fight Against the Pool Bill.

What is known as the pool bill, which was introduced in the senate some time ago and reported from committee, was pushed forward last week, so as to pass third reading by a vote of 29 to 13. It gives six months' license to the race track gamblers, to inaugurate a feature that will, according to its opponents, be productive of more evil and do more to demoralize society than almost anything else that could be named. If it should pass the senate the house will, by a good majority, kill it. It is, they say, a bill that should be protested against by all good thinking people, to prevent, if possible, the inauguration of pool racing and other forms of gambling in Pennsylvania.

Among the resolutions offered during the week was one asking for an investigation of the repairing of Grace church, the building now occupied by both branches of the legislature. In this resolution it was charged that the state paid for thousands of feet of lumber that was never used, and that in some instances the price charged for the lumber was $55 per thousand, when it is claimed that the same lumber could be purchased at $15 per thousand. Investigations have become so frequent and unpopular that the house decided to dispose of this case by referring it to the public buildings and grounds committee. This will be taken up during this week, and an effort made to ascertain if there has been any fraud perpetrated.

Among the features that have developed since my last letter in legislative circles were the introduction of three more reform bills in the house and senate. These prohibit city officials and corporations from interfering in politics, prevent political assessments and compel every man to pay his own taxes. The punishment in the political assessment bill is a fine of $500 or one year in prison, and in that in relation to the payment of taxes for another person than the elector against whom the tax has been assessed the punishment is a fine of $600 or six months' imprisonment.

The civil service reform bill, which applies only to the counties of Philadelphia, Allegheny, Schuylkill and Luzerne, passed the senate within the past few days. This bill will meet with considerable opposition in the house, as it is denounced by those who are opposed to it as unjust and unfair, and capable of being manipulated by the bosses.

The house bill authorizing the superintendent of public instruction to furnish every school in Pennsylvania with a copy of Smull's Legislative Handbook, after a spirited debate, passed finally by a vote of 108 to 55.

The Amended Capitol Bill.

The house bill providing that the material used in the construction of the proposed capitol building shall be furnished by Pennsylvania firms and corporations, and that none but citizens of Pennsylvania be employed in the construction of the building, was amended by striking out the word Pennsylvania and substituting in its stead "United States," and will now no doubt pass both houses in its present form. In the discussion of this measure the opposition to Governor Hastings' plan to construct a new capitol building at a cost of $550,000 took advantage of this occasion to denounce the absurdity of his estimate. There seems to be a disposition to prolong the settlement of the construction of a new capitol building, although a resolution was offered recently to that effect. Something should be done very soon to pass a bill designating the kind of a capitol to be built, and the cost, so as to have it completed and ready for use by the next legislature.

Among the bills that passed the house finally was one for the protection of public school houses and other buildings used and occupied for public school purposes, outbuildings thereof and public property; authorizing courts of common pleas to direct and decree the sale of real estate of insolvent debtors by their assignees for the payment of debt and the discharge by such sales of the right of dower by which such real estate is or may be charged or encumbered; to prevent the adulteration of vinegar; endowing the trustees of hospitals and asylums under the control of the commonwealth with corporate powers.

The bill introduced to legislate the state board of agriculture out of existence met with overwhelming defeat in the house. It was contended by the very few friends of the measure that as the state had a department of agriculture a state board was unnecessary.

Among the bills which passed finally in the senate recently were: Preventing employers of labor from discriminating against any employes because they are members of any labor unions; preventing fraud in the sale of transoceanic passage receipts, orders or tickets, and for other purposes; providing for the payment of mileage to poor directors; authorizing the cities of the commonwealth to purchase, acquire, take, use and appropriate private properties for public park purposes; extending for a further period of five years the time during which corporations incorporated and existing under the laws of any other state are authorized to hold real estate heretofore purchased at sheriffs' or other judicial sales; to provide for the payment of costs of prosecutions in misdemeanors and surety of the peace cases by the person or persons on whom such costs may be imposed, and to provide for the punishment of such persons and the payment of such costs in default; to equalize the levy and collection of assessments for local improvements in boroughs and cities of the state, except in first class cities; creating the office of county solicitor in counties having a population of 150,000; to provide that one burial permit shall be sufficient for interment in any cemetery or burial ground located within the county in which said permit is issued; increasing the number of common pleas courts in Philadelphia by the addition of another court, to be called common pleas court No. 5.

Dr. Swallow Willing to Meet Charges.

The senate determined to cause the arrest of Dr. Swallow and bring him before the bar of the senate for alleged contempt in refusing to give information respecting the capitol fire, and had arranged for a special meeting for his hearing, but the sergeant-at-arms, in whose hands Lieutenant Governor Lyons placed the warrant for his arrest, reported that he had failed to find his man. Dr. Swallow called on the lieutenant governor, however, the same evening and said that he was not seeking to avoid arrest, and would be on hand whenever it was found desirable. They have deferred his hearing, however, until the 22d of the month, but inasmuch as the trial of Dr. Swallow is now going on, it is doubtful if they will require him to leave the court until his trial is over.

The bill to create a state board of horseshoe examiners, which was defeated a few days ago, was brought up again for reconsideration and was considered. A very lively debate followed. A number of speeches were made in opposition, and it was claimed it would increase the price of horseshoeing, and that now was no time to increase the expenses of farmers. The bill was indefinitely postponed. It is very doubtful if this bill is again resurrected during this session.

A large delegation of the fish and game committee of the senate and house, and of the state fish commission, made an official inspection of the Allentown hatching station a few days ago. The purpose of this inspection was in order that the members of the legislature might have a more intelligent idea of the trout work of the commissioners, and to ascertain the need for extending the capacity of the hatching houses, and of the expediency of purchasing the property, or in lieu of that, another. The visiting members expressed themselves as very greatly pleased at the character of the work being done, and unanimously decided that is was absolutely necessary that the state should either purchase the property now held under lease or, failing to agree with the owners on a reasonable price, to locate elsewhere, and erect large hatching houses. The dilapidated character of the hatching houses made prompt action necessary.

Proposal to Tax Bicycles.

Among the bills to be introduced within the past few days was one to put a tax on each bicycle in the state, of course excepting those in the hands of dealers or manufacturers, of one dollar per annum, to be paid into the state treasury for the improvement of roads in the state. It is believed by the friends of this bill that a very considerable revenue can be derived from this law, which will greatly assist in the inauguration of great improvements to the public roads of the state. Senate bill No. 9, which provides for an improvement of the public roads of the sate, has been reported from committee, and will no doubt pass the senate soon.

In order to relieve the country districts from double registration a bill has been introduced to amend the constitution so as to enable the legislature to pass the civil registration for city and country districts.

The bill providing for the printing, making and compiling of a war text book history, under the supervision of the Grand Army of the Republic, and to be used in the public schools of this commonwealth, and making an appropriation therefor of $5,000, is to be framed by a "war text commission," to be composed of ten of the leading Grand Army men of the state.

The bill to reduce the salaries of mining inspectors of the anthracite coal regions from $3,000 per annum to $2,000 was the occasion of a very lively debate, but the house agreed to the bill on second reading. This will put the mine inspectors in the bituminous regions on an equality with those in the anthracite districts.

Another bill that has some assurance of becoming a law, at least as far as the house is concerned, is the amendment to the fee bill of 1893. This provides for the fees charged by constables, while the fish and game commission bill, which passed the house finally, and the bill providing for a state forestry reservation also have very fair prospects of becoming laws, as well as the measure making it a misdemeanor to insure, to aid or solicit the insurance of the life of any person non compos mentis or under the age of 16 years.

It is pretty generally admitted that this will be the longest session of the Pennsylvania legislature in many years. The members are now beginning to realize, and if developments continue as they have in the past few weeks it will be the middle of July before all the work is done.

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